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Hot tip

Armed forces event

An area-wide celebration of Armed Forces Week will be held May 10 and 11 at the U.S. Army Price Support Center.

The event, sponsored by the U.S. Army Aviation Systems Command, will feature displays of helicopters and other military equipment. Maj. Gen. Donald R. Williamson, AVSCOM commander, will open the ceremonies at 11:30 a.m. May 10. The activities will run from 11:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on May 10 and from 7 a.m. until 4 p.m. on May 11.

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Petition for annexation of 700 acres of Nameoki township land to the village of Pontoon Beach was dismissed by Circuit Court.

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Mixed reviews
for Cruise plan

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

GRANITE CITY — Mayor Von Dee Cruse's recent announcement that he will propose to lay off city employees has been met with mixed reviews among city officials.

Predictably, heads of the various city departments were pleased with the announcement, but aldermanic reaction was mixed.

Cruse said, "People can talk about waste on the city's payroll and there may be one department where there is some waste — but I know the police and fire departments need all the manpower they have. There may have been some excess in the street department... but we have a new superintendent (Clayton "Jug" Harrison, who will take office the first week in May) and we ought to give him a chance.

"If he has the courage to make that department work, with his knowledge of the things that need to be done, maybe the street department can be very

productive.

"I think we have enough support to make the hiring freeze effective in combating the (escalating) payroll," Cruse stated.

Police Chief Don Knight responded to Cruse's comments by saying, "I'm joyous. I think he's making the right decision, especially in the police department."

Knight said the current hiring freeze has already affected his department, and could cause problems in the near future.

"We're already two persons down — a dispatcher and an officer who recently retired. We have another potential retirement in June, and with 91 coming on line in December, I anticipate an increase in calls for service."

Knight said the department is in the process of finding ways to increase revenue for the city, by means of the alternative ticket program and other avenues. "We will do our best to assist the city with the dilemma it faces."

Some aldermen believe the city should cut back on police

State
of the
CityTrash pickup
fee called
inevitable

By Mike Myers
Staff writer

GRANITE CITY — The chairman of the city's Sanitation Committee is well aware that people are going to be "really unhappy" if they have to start paying for trash pickup.

"But deep down in my heart I know it's going to happen," 6th Ward Alderman Judy Whitaker said. "People won't like it, but they wouldn't like higher property tax either."

Charging each household a still-undetermined fee for garbage collection is one of Mayor Von Dee Cruse's proposals, publicized in the Thursday Press-Record, for balancing the city budget. He said many cities have already quit providing free trash hauling and even more will in the future. Cruse estimated it could increase city revenue by more than \$70,000.

"We're going to have to do it," Whitaker said.

"Trash hauling is one of our biggest expenses and all the other cities around, except Madison, are either charging or are going to start."

Whitaker said she would expect the trash-hauling fee to be included on the city sewer bills. She admitted the city has had trouble collecting its sewer bills in the past, but said the collection rate has gone up quite a bit since the city started taking those who don't pay to court and putting liens on property.

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More median
crossovers
not practical
IDOT rejects plan

By Valerie Evenden
Staff writer

PONTON BEACH — Additional median crossovers suggested by village officials as part of the proposed improvements on Illinois 111 are not considered practical by the Illinois Department of Transportation.

IDOT's response was reported at a recent meeting of the Village Board.

Of immediate concern to several officials are potential hazards at Pontoon Road and Illinois 111. A left turn arrow and a sign permitting a left turn after yielding to through traffic are located on Illinois 111 at the intersection.

"I've had two close calls there," Trustee Louis Whittell said. "Others have been telling me the same thing. I don't understand why we can't have a straight left turn arrow."

"They changed the one at (Illinois) 35 and (Illinois) 111," he said. That intersection was the scene of several serious traffic accidents.

When the signal light for northbound through traffic on 111 is green, people still think they can make a left turn, but the southbound traffic has the right of way, Trustee Loren Madison said.

Police Chief Chet Ballew had talked with IDOT officials about potential dangers at the intersection, he said. The state did come out and put left turn yield signs at eye level on the signal light post, he said.

The improvement to Illinois 111 from Illinois 162 to just north of Chain of Rocks Road is scheduled for the 1994 fiscal year construction program.

When the project was announced in March, trustees agreed to seek additional median crossover access at the Soccer for Fun business and Georgetown Drive.

Crossovers are scheduled to be constructed at South Drive and at Lakeview Drive, District Engineer Dale L. Klohr said. Left turn lanes are also proposed for the crossover at Lakeview Drive and at South Drive.

The South Drive exit is located about 350 feet from the north entrance to Soccer for Fun. Construction of a left-turn lane will make the turning maneuver safer by keeping the vehicles stopped for the turn out of the northbound through traffic lanes, Klohr said.

Eastgate Drive, which runs parallel to Illinois 111, connects Lakeview Drive to Georgetown Drive, Klohr and Kent L. Muskopf, district planning engineer, said.

Installation of more crossovers will allow vehicles to enter either direction of traffic. This will result in more traffic movement conflicts and thus present a great hazard than it attempts to correct," Klohr said.

"Consequently, we have determined that it would not be practical to provide additional median crossovers along this section of the roadway."

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Class to honor Gulf soldier

By Mike Myers
Staff writer

GRANITE CITY — Sgt. 1st Class Ernest Frank Mitchem Jr., 41, never got the welcome home he deserved after Vietnam.

His return from the Gulf War was going to be different. This time, along with family and friends, he had his granddaughter's 5th-grade class at Frather Elementary School, with whom he corresponded from Saudi Arabia, waiting for him.

Mitchem never made it. On April 13, he died of a heart

attack while working at the U.S. Command Center in Riyadh. His job was to make sure returning soldiers were sent to the right place at the right time for their trip home.

"He was working an unbelievable amount of hours," said Lois Mitchem, his widow. "He gave his life for his country. From a very early age, he had given everything. I think people ought to know that there are still people who do things for their country because they believe in it."

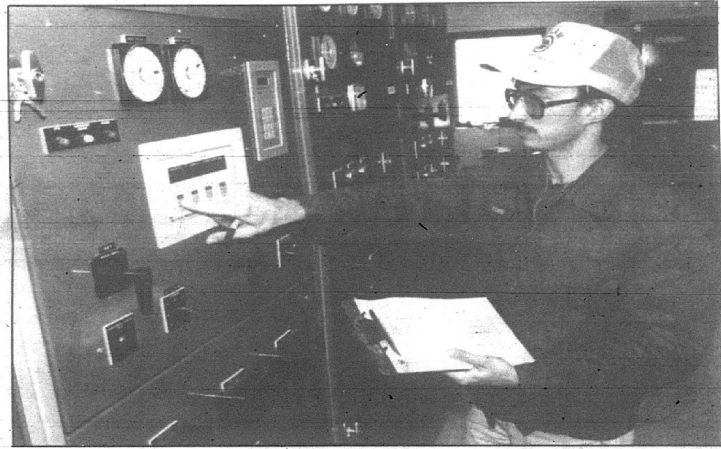
Ernest Mitchem joined the Marine Corps in March 1969 and

served two tours in Vietnam, during which he was awarded the Bronze Star for valor. He left the Marines in May 1977, but went on active duty with the Army Reserve that October. He remained on active duty until his death.

Among his assignments, Ernest Mitchem served more than six years at the U.S. Army Reserve Record Center in St. Louis. It was while he was stationed there that he met and married Lois, a long-time resident of Granite City.

When things started heating up

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ALL SYSTEMS ARE GO as Todd Salovich, the Milam gas facility manager, checks the gauges at the plant.

Landfill gas gets new use:
Generating electricity

By Mike Myers
Staff writer

MADISON — The latest recycling at the Milam Landfill is positively electric.

The Waste Management-owned landfill, located just east of Illinois 203, is all set to start using landfill gas to generate electricity, according to James Nold, Milam's general manager.

Nold said the rotting garbage produces methane gas that builds up under the surface of the landfills.

"If it's not properly managed, the methane can not only become a nuisance because of the smell, it can also be harmful to the vegetation growing on the landfill and, if it starts to migrate underground, become an explosive problem. It could be

ignited and explode."

The standard way of controlling the gas is to burn it off, Nold said.

"That's the reason for the torches you see burning there 24 hours a day," he said.

At Milam, he said, wells have been drilled to collect the gas and a system of pipes has been installed to carry all the gas to a central point. There, the gas is cleaned and compressed so it can be used to fuel two 1,200-horsepower engines which then turn turbines that generate electricity.

"Every day we generate enough electricity to power 8,000 to 10,000 homes all day long," Nold said. "And if we never added another teaspoon of garbage to the landfill, we would have enough methane to keep the gen-

erators operating another 15 years."

"Obviously, we are going to keep adding garbage, so we have an energy source that will be viable for a long time to come."

Nold said the electricity is sold to Union Electric, who adds the electricity to its grids for public consumption.

"It's a very unique and functional form of recycling," Nold said. "We're taking a byproduct of throwaways and turning it into a useful product. It's something we're really excited about."

The system already is on line, Nold said, and all that is lacking are some finishing touches and fine-tuning of engines. He said a grand opening for the system is tentatively planned May 31.

Newspaper wins
several awards

The Granite City Journal took home a number of awards at the recent Southern Illinois Editorial Association annual newspaper contest.

The Journal earned first place in best overall makeup; second in sports coverage; third in advertising excellence and local news coverage; and honorable mention in the general excellence and photography categories.

The awards came during the SIEA's 95th spring meeting, Friday, April 19.

The Journal placed in the competition's small, weekly division.

Man faces sex abuse charge

GRANITE CITY — A former Granite City man, now living in Ferguson, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of aggravated criminal sexual abuse.

Kevin M. Harper Sr., 36, of the 2500 block of Copper Creek Road in Ferguson, was arrested at the Granite City police station at 2:10 p.m. on a felony warrant charging aggravated criminal sexual abuse. According to

Assistant Police Chief Ron Selph, Harper is alleged to have committed sexual improprieties with the 13-year-old daughter of his live-in girl friend.

Selph said the police department received notification from the Department of Children and Family Services on Feb. 2 that Harper had allegedly molested the girl while he lived with her and her mother on Edwardsville

Road. Harper subsequently moved to Missouri, and the girl relocated to Maryville, according to Selph.

Selph said he was unaware of the exact time of the alleged offense, or if the charge related to a single offense or actions over a longer period of time. Bond was set at \$20,000, Selph said.

Burglar damages car during theft

A burglar damaged a 1983 Isuzu pickup truck while stealing an in-dash AM/FM stereo radio and cassette player valued at \$150 belonging to Jason Mathenia of the 4000 block of Oakmont Drive, Ponton Beach, he reported April 19. The vehicle was parked in the 2100 block of Delmar Avenue when the burglar pried the driver's door, damaging the key hole and lock, and also damaged the dashboard to remove the stereo.

Ring, stereo missing

In a burglary at the apartment of Angela A. Milligan in the 1800 block of Madison Avenue, reported April 18, the intruder removed a Panasonic portable stereo with a double cassette player, valued at \$150, and a diamond ring worth \$270.

Seasonal damage

Someone threw two baseballs through the living room picture window at the home of Everett J. Brown in the 2300 block of Edwards Street, he reported at 11:25 p.m. April 19. The baseballs broke two regular and two storm glass windows, the homeowner said.

Car grill stolen

The entire front grill of a 1981 Oldsmobile Cutlass was stolen while the auto was parked in the parking lot at the home of Charlotte Minks of the 2500 block of Parkway Drive, she reported April 19.

Warrants served

A Granite City officer went to Brooklyn Police Department at 3:20 a.m. April 20 to pick up Benjamin Joseph Sims Jr., 24, of Edwardsville.

Sims was wanted on a local warrant for failure to appear on a charge of driving while his license was suspended and an active warrant issued by the Edwardsville Police Department for failure to appear on a driving while suspended charge.

He also was served with a body attachment paper on a charge of driving without headlights.

Granite City

Machinery taken

Dan Partney, owner of Granite Sheet Metal Works, 2500 Missouri Avenue, reported a welding machine, valued at \$2,000, was taken from a locked shed at the business between March 25 and April 25. No evidence of forced entry was visible, a report states.

Autos burglarized

Tony R. Jackson, of the 3200 block of Westchester Drive, reported a \$225 radar detector and six cassette tapes worth \$7 each were taken from his silver 1987 Pontiac Bonneville while it was parked in his driveway between 11 p.m. April 24 and 5:50 a.m. April 25.

Robert L. Guffey, of the same block of Westchester, told police a \$17 duck call was taken from his tan 1983 Chevrolet half-ton pickup truck the same night, and a second Guffey vehicle had been entered, but nothing was taken.

Satellite receiver taken

Cathy Collins, of the Granite City Campus of Belleville Area College, reported a \$2,500 receiver from the school's satellite dish was taken from inside a locked eight-foot-high fence on the campus between 5 p.m. April 24 and 9 a.m. April 25.

Mower missing

Anthony DiVietro, 76, of the 2900 block of Dale Avenue, told officers his Toro lawn mower, worth \$400, was taken from his yard between 5 p.m. April 24 and 9 a.m. April 25.

Jail commitment

Joel Ray Pirtle, 18, of the 300 block of Wilson Park Lane, cited for contempt, was served a jail commitment order issued by a judge on April 19 while at the Granite City court. Pirtle was taken to the Granite City Jail and transferred to the Madison County Jail in Edwardsville at 5:55 p.m. April 19.

Arson charged

A 72-year-old Granite City man was charged with setting fire to a garage in the 2600 block of Cleveland Boulevard Wednesday.

Neal C. Kelso, 72, of the 2500 block of Cleveland, was charged with arson Wednesday after a witness reported observing Kelso walk down the alley, bend over near the garage, then stand up and walk away.

After taking the witness' statement, officers located Kelso walking in Wilson Park, near 27th and State Streets. He was taken back to the scene of the fire, where the witness identified him.

A book of matches was found in the rear of the patrol car in which Kelso was transported, a report states. Damage to the garage was estimated at \$500.

Two charges

A Madison woman was arrested following a fight at Curt's Drive 16-1623 Madison Avenue, at about 3 a.m. Wednesday.

Rose (Turner) Hildreth, 35, of the 1100 block of Grand Avenue, was charged with disorderly conduct and battery.

Officers arrived at the restaurant and were told by the fight participants, Hildreth and Chris A. Harvaez, 37, of the 1100 block of State Street, that the dispute was settled.

But as an officer called for a cab to take Hildreth home, she allegedly threw a glass of tea into Harvaez' face and the fight resumed.

Hildreth was charged and released on \$104 bail.

Warrant arrest

James D. Crafton, 28, of Berkeley, Mo., was arrested at the St. Clair County Jail Wednesday on Granite City warrants for failure to appear on charges of unlawful possession of cannabis, criminal trespass to property, disorderly conduct and illegal possession of alcohol.

Crafton was released after posting \$102 bail.



DAVE CROCKARELL, center, presents Randy Parks, left, and Mike Murgic their award.

Police detectives honored by arson investigators' group

Detectives Mike Murgic and Randy Parks of the Granite City Police Department are co-recipients of the 1991 Golden Key Award given by the Southern Illinois Arson Investigator's Association.

The presentation was made at the 18th annual August F. Mazzone Fire and Arson Conference on April 6 at the Quality Inn in Collinsville.

Each year the Southern Illinois Arson Investigator's Association recognizes outstanding efforts in the area of fire and arson prevention and detection. The Golden Key Award acknowledges outstanding performance of a follow up investigation. The recipient need not be a member of the association.

Murgic is a 12-year veteran of the department and has attended arson-related classes, including the Fire and Arson Conference in Collinsville. He is currently

scheduled to attend a 2-week course of study in arson investigation at the National Fire Academy in Maryland during September.

Parks, a detective since October, has been with the department for seven years and was recognized for his immediate follow up action at the scene of the fire while still a patrolman.

Dave Crockarell, secretary of the Madison County Chapter said, "Since I've been involved in this field of interest I have known that the Granite City Police Department aggressively investigates suspicious fires and that they have a better than average clearance rate. This recognition is long overdue the department."



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Revocations

Quad City area residents whose driver's licenses have been revoked by the Secretary of State's Office for conviction of driving under the influence of alcohol include:

Clarence E. Pospischel, 47, of the 1500 block of 20th Street, arrested April 8, 1990, convicted April 4.

Floyd H. Smith, 38, of the 2100 block of Missouri Avenue, arrested Feb. 10, convicted Feb. 13.

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Budget woes

Granite City's budget problems — and city officials' attempts to meet the problems — continue to be a point of discussion here. See future issues of the newspaper.

Cultural diversity

In the third of a four-part series, the Journal looks at cultural diversity and its impact on school, the workplace and home.



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Opinions differ on TIF lawsuit

PONTOON BEACH — Village officials have differing opinions regarding a lawsuit initiated by Community School District 9 against the village.

The suit pertains to whether the village's actions in establishing the Chouteau Trace tax increment district comply with Illinois laws.

The suit alleges inconsistencies in the manner in which the vacant land was declared "blighted" to qualify for TIF, cites significant changes in the development plan for the area following a public hearing and claims the area would have been developed privately without creating the TIF.

Norman Owca, director of finance for the school district, estimates that as much as \$10,000,000 in real estate taxes could be redirected to real estate developers rather than the school district over the next 23 years as a result of the creation of a TIF district in the village.

Trustee Louis Whitsell, chairman of the TIF Commission, said Tuesday evening, "The school district is filing suit... They ordered Stan Lucas to stop development, and he sold the lots. He sold out... as far as I know."

He's not building anything. The individuals that own those lots are building. And it just goes on and on. The things they (the school district) say, like they don't expect any relief or any remedy from this loss. They just want to stop it."

Whitsell said, "Now it seems to me like the best interest of the school district is to try to help (the TIF district) so that it is self-supporting and paying for itself on a timely basis and get (any losses the school district may incur) out of the way."

Holding things back, like some members of this (village) board do, is not the way to accomplish the growth and development of the area," Whitsell said.

sell said.

Trustee Loren Madison had a different opinion, saying there were procedures that should have been followed in the formation of the TIF, but were not.

"The developer got \$30,000 in (reimbursable) expenses that were not (verified)," Madison said.

"The lawyers got over \$100,000 and there was no time card, no (verification). There was no estimate on the value of the land (purchased by the village)."

"The school district is challenging it in circuit court," Madison continued, "and I can tell them things that aren't even mentioned in the suit. And if they call on me to testify, I'll have to tell them."

Of a reported inflated purchase price paid by the village for land in the TIF, Whitsell said: "The purchase price went up, but so did the amount of land. When we first started negotiating, the village was just talking about getting the easements and rights of way... Then as we went along, we decided we wanted to control the frontage lots — which I wish we didn't now because we have one tied up with McDonald's — so that acreage was added on to it."

"And now the village owns all three of the frontage lots... across Highway 111, all of the road rights of way, easements, and the park. And that acreage is some 20 plus acres."

In an interview that appeared in the Dec. 27, 1990 edition of the *Press-Record*, Whitsell said the "front lots were donated" (emphasis added) by the developer in an agreement.

"We got the land for about half price," Whitsell concluded Tuesday, citing the price paid for other frontage property developed in the area, such as the Hen House Restaurant. "And we got it through the bond sale. The village wasn't putting up a



Lt. Col. Fred E. Brown
... new commander

Price Center has new commander

GRANITE CITY — Lt. Col. Art Armour relinquished command of the U.S. Army Price Support Center in ceremonies on Monday at the center.

Lt. Col. Fred E. Brown was installed as the new Price Center commander by Maj. Gen. Donald R. Williamson, commander of the U.S. Army Aviation Systems Command in St. Louis.

Since 1988, Brown had served as assistant program manager in the Light Helicopter Project

Managers Office co-located with AVSCOM. He was commissioned into the regular army in 1971 at the University of Arkansas.

Brown is a graduate of the Armor Officers Basic and Advanced courses at Fort Knox, Ky., and the Air Command and Staff College at Montgomery, Ala. He is a master aviator qualified on the OH-58 Scout helicopter and the UH-1 Huey helicopter and the AH-1 Cobra attack helicopter.

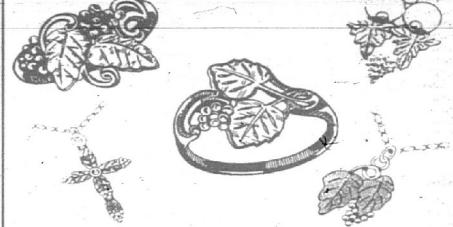
Perry fund raiser slated May 5

The Joey James Orchestra will be featured at a fund-raising event on Sunday, May 5, for the candidacy of Fred Perry for Madison County Circuit Clerk.

The \$10 per person affair will be held from 3 to 6 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Edwardsville. Beer, soda and

snacks will be furnished. Perry, an Illinois state trooper for 22 years, has announced his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for circuit clerk in the March 1992 primary election. Perry, now is a circuit court bailiff for Judge Nicholas G. Byron.

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Shaw named Syracuse U. head

SYRACUSE, N.Y. — A Granite City native has been named the next chancellor and president of Syracuse University.

Kenneth A. Shaw was appointed to the position effective Aug. 20, it was announced Thursday by Chris J. Whitting, chairman of the Syracuse Board of Trustees. Shaw, who has been president of the University of Wisconsin since 1986, will succeed the retiring Melvin A. Eggers.

"I am honored by the committee's action and look forward to the opportunity of following Mel Eggers, a colleague for whom I have the utmost respect and admiration," Shaw said.

Shaw said he was attracted to Syracuse because of its reputation at both the graduate and undergraduate levels, its strong sense of community, its location in a progressive and livable city and because it offered him the



Kenneth Shaw
... new chancellor

opportunity to return to a nationally renowned institution.

"As a higher education administrator, I was intrigued by the opportunity to work in a much different private university envi-

ronment where there are different types of challenges and opportunities and where there is a greater flexibility to deal with them," Shaw said.

Prior to becoming president of the University of Wisconsin, Shaw served as chancellor of Southern Illinois University system, president of Southern University of Illinois Edwardsville and vice president of Towson State University.

In higher education circles, Shaw is known as a speaker and writer on the issues of multiculturalism and diversity.

Whitting said Shaw's record of innovation and initiative at the University of Wisconsin was very impressive.

"We are confident that these same skills will confer upon Syracuse an even higher profile among the nation's private universities," Whitting said.

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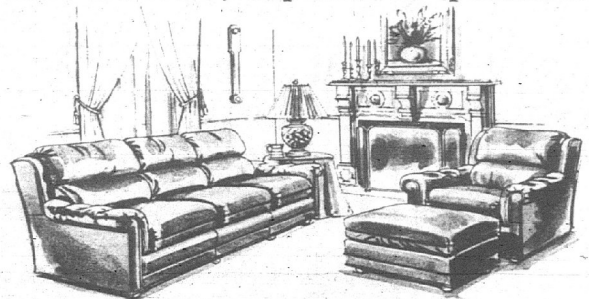
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EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR Rita Howell-Rice receives her award from Steve Balen, director Region I Special Education.



(Staff photo by Pam Doepke-Hurd)

EMPLOYER OF THE YEAR Bob Basden of Maintenance Unlimited's presented his award by Carolyn Smoot of Parents for Special Education.

250 attend Job Fair for the Disabled

GRANITE CITY — More than 250 students from the Granite City, Madison and Venice area attended the 13th annual Job Fair for the Disabled.

The fair, held April 19 at the Elks Lodge, was sponsored by the Parents for Special Education and the Region I Special Education District.

At the fair, students brought resumes and filled out applications and were interviewed by representatives of participating companies. The fair is designed to build the confidence and self-esteem of the disabled students

as well as give them experience that will aid them in the transition from school to the work force.

An award for Employee of the Year was presented to Rita Howell-Rice, a counselor for the Bureau of the Blind. The award is presented each year to a disabled individual who has demonstrated outstanding work characteristics. The award was presented by Steve Baun, Region I director.

An award for Employer of the Year was presented to Bob Basden of Maintenance Unlimited.

The award, presented by Carolyn Smoot, president of Parents for Special Education, is presented to a local business each year in recognition for its employment of the disabled.

Companies participating in the fair were: Adia Personnel Service, the U.S. Army Personnel Reserve Center, Boatmen's Bank, Central Bank, Citicorp Inc. Co-ordinated Youth Services, Illinois Department of Labor, Illinois Department of Public Aid, Illinois Department of Rehabilitation Services,

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Alleged sex offender loses latest appeal

By Nicole Vaughn
Staff writer

EDWARDSVILLE — A Troy man will likely appeal his case after a second attempt to withdraw his guilty plea for sex offenses against two children failed in Madison County Circuit Court.

On Thursday, seven weeks after hearing the original motion filed by Mark Mosby's attorneys, Associate Judge J. Lawrence Keshner honored a request by the state's attorney's office to dismiss Mosby's motion.

Assistant State's Attorney Rich Rybak said that Mosby needed

to be "stopped from continually coming back to this court and asking for the same relief."

The newest motion, filed March 20 by attorneys Jerry Bassett and John Turner, maintains that Mosby was deprived of his rights by not being able to present evidence to support a guilty but mentally ill plea and that Mosby mistakenly believed he would receive an 18-year sentence in exchange for his guilty plea.

In a hearing held March 7, Bassett and Turner alleged that State's Attorney William Haine had offered an 18-year sentence in exchange for the guilty plea during a pre-trial conference.

"Nothing from that pre-trial conference could be taken as an offer by any reasonable man or woman," Haine testified at the March 7 hearing. Throwing Mosby from the Clark Bridge was among sentences Haine said he had sarcastically suggested during that conference.

The motion that led to the March 7 hearing was filed Feb. 22, just prior to Mosby's receiving a 100-year prison sentence for five counts of aggravated criminal sexual assault and two counts of aggravated criminal sexual abuse. The crimes involved a 12-year-old boy and a 10-year-old girl.

Keshner said that motion had

been filed prematurely, which is why he granted a hearing on the second motion. Because a hearing was held on the original motion, although improperly filed, Keshner cautioned Turner and Bassett that the appellate court might view the 30-day appeal period as already expired.

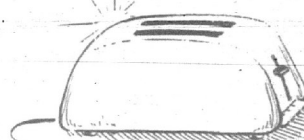
Mosby appeared briefly at the beginning of the hearing to waive his right to be present.

Fund-raiser for candidate

The Joey James Orchestra will be featured at a fund-raising event on Sunday, May 5, for the candidacy of Fred Perry for Madison County Circuit Clerk.

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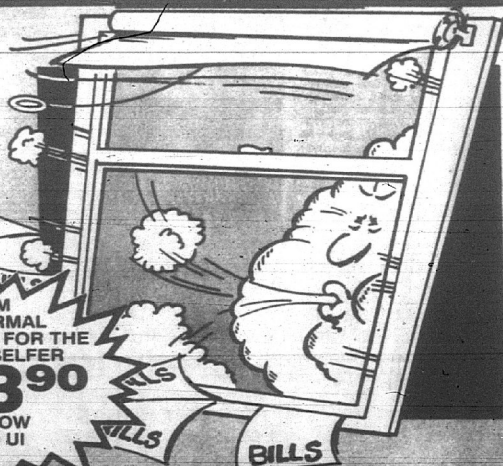
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Probe of O'Donnell death continuing But grand jury finished

By Nicole Vaughn
Staff writer

EDWARDSVILLE — Although a Madison County grand jury completed its probe Thursday, an investigation into the death of a Belleville real estate developer remains open.

Collinsville Police Chief David Niebur said Friday that his department is continuing to investigate the death of Frank E. O'Donnell Sr. O'Donnell, 61, was found Nov. 17 lying on a bed in a room at the Quality Inn in Collinsville, apparently the victim of a heart attack. No autopsy was performed.

In late January, a St. Louis judge ordered O'Donnell's body exhumed for an autopsy. Tests showed a lethal dose of barbiturates in O'Donnell's body and an investigation by the Madison County coroner's office, the State Police's Division of Criminal Investigation and Collinsville police began.

Chief Deputy Coroner Ralph Baahmann said that O'Donnell's death will be the subject of a coroner's inquest tentatively set for May 22 or 23.

Niebur said he was not surprised by the lack of indictments in the case Thursday, although he had originally anticipated some.

"During the last three weeks the tide kind of turned," Niebur said.

A witness, whom Niebur declined to name, failed to testify before the grand jury and "diluted our case considerably," Niebur said.

The O'Donnell case has led Niebur to set "more comprehensive rules" regarding death-scene investigations.

Niebur said detectives and

full-time coroners will be dispatched to the scene of any death unattended by a doctor.

Collection of evidence by a police detective would have made a "definite difference" in the O'Donnell case, Niebur said, where evidence was not gathered until several hours after O'Donnell's body was removed from the room.

"I take full responsibility for what happened, because I'm the chief of police," Niebur said.

Niebur said he remains confident that the O'Donnell investigation will lead to a prosecution case.

"It would have been nice to have the case result in an indictment now but I'm still optimistic eventually the indictment of one person will occur," Niebur said.

Niebur declined to name the suspect.

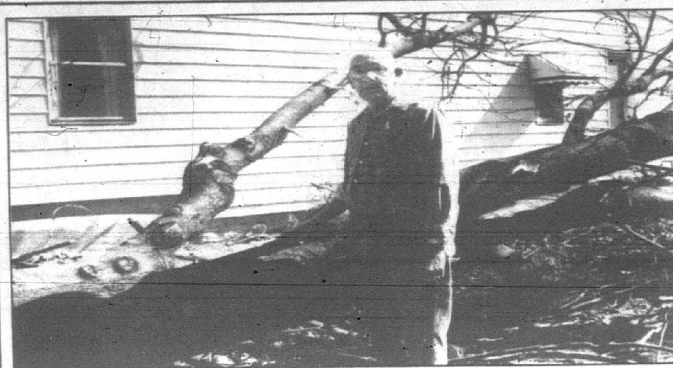
Earlier this month, a St. Louis attorney, James Martin, said that Collinsville businessman Gary Fears was the target of the police investigation. Fears is a former business partner of O'Donnell's.

Martin represents Dennis DeLuca and Danny Cox, both acquaintances of Fears.

Cox, one of the incorporators of Panama Jax, testified before the grand jury last month. DeLuca invoked his Fifth Amendment right not to testify, on Martin's advice.

Martin had said investigators were using coercive tactics to get both men to give testimony regarding Fears.

DeLuca and Cox were both indicted on federal drug charges earlier this month.



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Mounds plans variety of May events

A wide variety of activities can be enjoyed during the month of May at Cahokia Mounds State Historic Site.

Saturday, May 4, at 1 p.m., there will be a free presentation of traditional Indian songs and dance by Mike's Drum Group.

A free Family Storytelling Program, presented by Chuna McIntyre, will be presented Sunday, May 5, at 1:30 p.m. McIntyre, an accomplished storyteller, is a Yup'ik Eskimo from the southwestern Alaskan village of Eek. He tells his dancing and storytelling forms from traditional Eskimo culture. The program is being presented as part of the

12th annual St. Louis Storytelling Festival being held May 2-5 at various locations in the St. Louis area.

For those interested in the outdoors, there will be a free Nature/Culture Hike on Saturday, May 11, from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. An archaeologist and a naturalist will lead a 6-mile (10-kilometer) hike around the less visited areas of the Cahokia Mounds site, explaining the cultural features and archaeology that has been done on them. They will also point out the natural resources utilized by the Indians. Participants should bring a bag lunch and wear

appropriate clothing and shoes. The hike will be canceled in case of rain.

Saturday, May 18, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., there will be a beginning pottery craft workshop for adults taught by Kelvin Sampson from the Dickson Mounds Museum. An expert prehistoric-style potter will teach participants how to make Mississippian period clay vessels using traditional materials, tools and techniques. Firing will be done at a later date. Some materials are required and there is a \$25 fee.

Kids Day will be held Sunday, May 19.

Alderman defends blacktop

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

GRANITE CITY — A 5th Ward alderman is defending his request to have the alley behind his home and business blacktopped.

Tom Candier, who was first appointed in January, then elected April 2, said the alley has needed the work for years.

Candier, who lives at 2507 Denver St., owns a business, Tom's Auto Repair, in a building adjacent to his home.

Candier said he has requested the work every year for the last three years, but only recently has it been done.

"That alley is used as much as any alley in West Granite," Candier said.

He said residents of the area use the alley like a street, and the street department has been filling in holes in it for the last three years. Candier added that a lot of area residents park in the alley instead of in front of their homes.

"I just asked them to fix it, and it finally got done," he said.

Street Superintendent Mac Warfield said he knows there have been blacktop crews at work throughout the city recently, but is not sure who put in the request for the work behind Candier's business.

Mark Reynolds of the street department said there were ruts in the alley "four to six inches deep. We just put some cold mix on it and spread it with a grader."

"We'll probably have to reshape it later this summer," Reynolds said. "It's a temporary type patch, and looks nicer than filling in a hole here and a hole there."

"I'd do it for anybody," Reynolds added. "I'd do it on my own alley."

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NBC's release of rape victim's name adds fuel to debate

By Mike Myers
Staff writer

GRANITE CITY — NBC Television Network's recent decision to go against a long-standing journalistic practice and release the name of a rape victim has fueled a national debate.

NBC chose to release the name of a woman who claimed to have been raped while at a Kennedy Family home in Florida. Sen. Ted Kennedy (D-Mass.) was at the home at the time, but was not part of the police investigation. No charges have been filed in the case.

Although several publications, including the New York Times, decided to follow suit after NBC released the name, most media,

including the Associated Press wire service, chose to withhold the name.

A number of national surveys indicated an overwhelming majority of the people in the United States believe NBC made the wrong decision. Granite City Police Chief Don Knigh goes along with the majority of the people.

"NBC screwed up. Period," Knigh said. "Naming a rape victim makes them more of a victim — it's a demeaning, personal violent crime. Armed robbery may be demeaning, but it's not so personal."

Madison County Public Defender John Rekowski disagrees.

"We're not talking about rape victims, we're talking about

purported rape victims," Rekowski said. "Therein lies my argument. Yes, they should be named."

Newspapers print the names of defendants, who are presumed innocent, without hesitation. What's sauce for the goose is sauce for the gander.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Kit Morrissey, a former assistant state's attorney in Madison County, said she didn't agree with releasing a rape victim's name.

"I think rape is substantially different from other crimes and common decency would indicate you should protect the victim's right to privacy," she said. Colville attorney Don Weber, a former state's attorney for Madison County and Ford County, also said rape victims should not be identified.

"Rape is a lot different from other violent crimes because you face the disgusting defense of consent," Weber said. "Victims of armed robbery don't have to prove they didn't ask for it. No one believes it's the victim's fault they were robbed. But they may believe it's the victim's fault they were raped."

Rekowski called that argument "nonsense" and said arguing self defense — saying somebody asked to be shot — is the same thing as consent.

"And since when did the nature of an event change its newsworthiness?" Rekowski asked. "If you can be justified in shooting, you can be justified in having intercourse. It doesn't change the physical act. I see no reason other than our own puritanical history why the (shooting victim) is named and the (rape victim) isn't."

Another problem with printing the name of rape victims, Knigh said, is the publicity could hinder prosecution.

"We're just now getting women to report rape," Knigh said. "When I first became a policeman, women wouldn't report rape because they would have to get on the witness stand and testify to all their previous sexual activity. That's been stopped, but if they face being named in the newspaper, women may stop reporting rape."

Carol Chiappa of the Phoenix Crisis Center for women in Granite City agreed with Knigh. "There are too many cases

that are not reported now," she said. "I think facing public humiliation would keep more form being reported."

But Rekowski said, "If you are going to point a finger at someone and say that person violated your rights, you should be willing to do it in the light of day, not behind closed doors in some darkened room. And the press should not be party to darkening that room."

Morrissey said she doesn't agree. "The right to meet the accuser face-to-face applies to a court of law. I don't think it applies at all to journalism."

Weber said the media's current position of not naming rape victims is "a good practice and the proper practice." Rekowski, however, said the current practice is "abominable" and needs to be changed.

"I get really worried when a social agenda backs the press off from its 1st Amendment responsibility to keep the public informed of everything," he said.

David Porter of the Illinois

Press Association said the IPA is "in the process of researching" the issue.

"But I doubt we will make any sort of final stand on the issue," he said. "Obviously, from a legal standpoint, the question would be 'How was the name obtained?' From a moral standpoint, I don't see us setting a policy for the state."

Porter said the IPA's research so far has included reading "dozens and dozens" of newspaper clippings and so far he has come across the victim's name in only two.

"One was after a jury found that the defendant was not guilty and no rape occurred," Porter said. "The other, in the St. Louis Post-Dispatch, involved the victim being the ex-wife of the defendant. I'm not sure of their reasoning."

Porter said the results of the IPA research, along with the results of a survey of IPA members, will be in an upcoming issue of *Illinois Publisher*.

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Madison Public Schools

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Tuesday - Pizza burgers, french fries, peaches

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Thursday - Hamburger, green beans, chocolate cake

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Wednesday - Sloppy joe on bun, french fries, cheese, corn, pickles, carrot sticks, blueberry muffin

Thursday - Salisbury steak with gravy, rice or potatoes, green beans, salad, fruit

Friday - Nachos with cheese, sauce, peas, slaw, peanut buttered bread, raspberry jello

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Appreciation service at church

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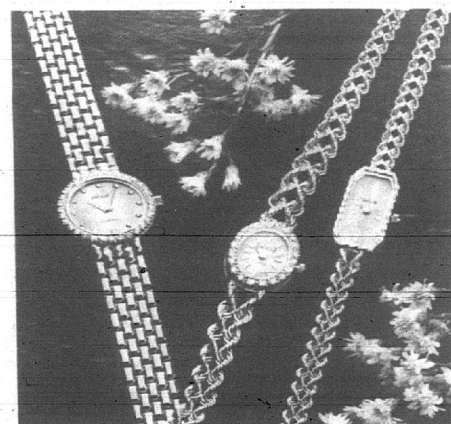
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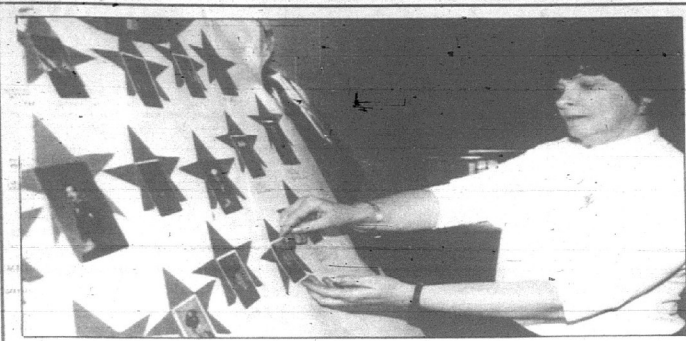
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Man gets 18 years for assaults of child

A Granite City man was sentenced to 18 years in a state prison Wednesday after pleading guilty to three counts of aggravated criminal sexual assault against his 7-year-old stepdaughter. Associate Judge J. Lawrence Keshner recommended that Frank D. Theis, 25, of the 2600 block of Missouri Avenue, serve that time in a minimum security facility. Theis had been charged with eight counts of aggravated criminal sexual assault on Dec. 11, 1990. Through plea negotiations between Assistant State's Attorney Sheila Drucker and defense attorney Harry Sterling, five of those counts were dismissed. Also through those negotiations, it was recommended, and Keshner accepted, the minimum six-year sentence on each of the three counts. Theis could have been sentenced to 30 years on each of the counts and up to 60 years on each count if aggravating circumstances warranted it.

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A small white female found in the 2000 block of Harding.

Keshner said. The six-year terms are to be served consecutively for a total of 18 years. Keshner further recommended that Theis be evaluated and receive counseling. Theis, who was free on bond prior to the plea, is also to receive credit for any time served. The charges stem from incidents from July to November 1990 in which Theis had sexual relations with the 7-year-old girl. When given a chance to speak, Theis said, "I messed up."

Drucker said the charges were filed following a Department of Children and Family Services investigation launched after the child told a school social worker about the incidents.

The child reported that the assaults had begun while the family lived in California and continued after a move to Granite City last year. Theis denies the California assaults.

Unusual items collected in school recycling contest

By Teresa Kaemmerer
Staff writer

Collecting aluminum cans may become passe. Aluminum siding and johnboats were among the items collected by the winning schools in the Kids Can Recycle contest.

The contest, held in conjunction with last weekend's Environmental EXPO, enticed 60 area schools and more than 25,000 students to see just how much aluminum they could collect in four weeks. The results amazed even the winners.

The student body of Villa di Maria Montessori school in Kirkwood took the first-place prize by bringing in 646 pounds of aluminum, or 7.6 pounds for each of the 85 students at the school. Winners were determined on a per-student basis.

"It was a community project," said Faye Halfar, a teacher at the school. "One girl had a route in her neighborhood and would go around and collect cans from people."

Students at the school had begun a recycling program when

they received notice of the contest, Halfar said.

"A couple of weeks before the program started we began collecting cans," she said. "It really added impetus to what we were doing."

While most of the aluminum collected was in the form of cans, Halfar said the students found some unusual, and much larger, items to use in the contest. One family had two johnboats damaged in a windstorm and the children kept after the parents until they took the boats to the recycling center, she said. "We just recently tore down an old aluminum fence, and that was used, too," Halfar said.

Students at the school received a first-place award of \$500 from Reynolds Aluminum. That money was added to the \$222 received from turning in the aluminum, and will be used to refurbish the school's garden and to buy containers for recycling other products such as newspapers and plastic, Halfar said.

"Everything has something to

do with saving the earth," she said.

The second-place winners decided to take a different route to saving the earth.

The 78-student second-grade class at Larimore School in Spanish Lake collected about 538 pounds of aluminum, including an old ladder and some aluminum siding. Their total computed to 6.9 pounds per student.

The students used the money they received from turning in the aluminum to purchase a portion of tropical rain forest, teacher Marcine Lemke said. They decided to add their prize money, \$250 from World Resources Ltd., to their original funds to buy more forest, she said.

The third-place winners, St. John Catholic School from Imperial, Mo., received a \$200 from Schnucks Markets.

"I think they learned that recycling isn't that hard, it's something everybody can do," she said. "We are winners whether we really win or not."

Women of Achievement luncheon deadline nears

The deadline is nearing for reservations to the 1990 Women of Achievement awards luncheon May 17 at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel in Clayton. The *Suburban Journals* and KMOX Radio are sponsoring the noon program at which 10 outstanding women will be given awards for their significant contributions they have made to the St. Louis community.

Tickets are \$23 per person and may be ordered by sending a

check to: Women of Achievement, Suburban Journals, 1714 Deer Tracks Trail, St. Louis, 63131. Checks should be made payable to the Suburban Journals.

Reservations are by mail order only. The deadline for reservations is Friday. Seating will be at tables of 10. People wishing to sit together should make group reservations and pay at the same time. Those attending the luncheon on behalf of a par-

ticular honoree also should include the name of the honoree.

The program includes an invocation by Monsignor John Ronquest and a welcome by St. Louis County Executive George "Buzz" Westfall. Thomas Rice, president of the *Suburban Journals*, and Robert Hyland, CBS senior vice president and KMOX Radio general manager, will honor the 10 community leaders. Music will be by the Lenny Klinger Ensemble.

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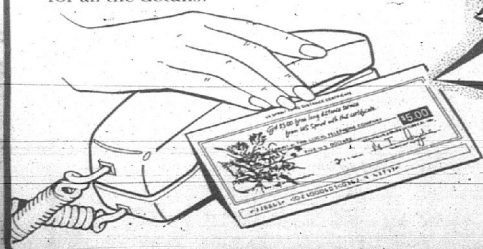
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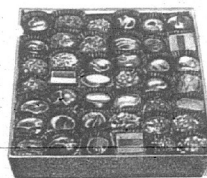
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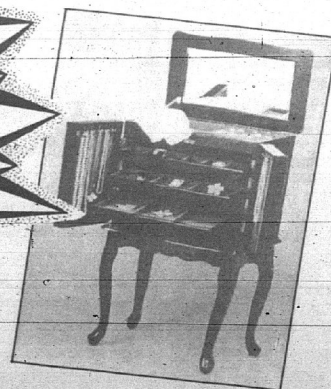


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Clifford of Charleston, Ill., and three grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband Lyman Tucker, who died in January, 1976.

Visitation will be 4 to 8 p.m. today (Sunday) at Irwin Chapel, 3960 Maryville Road, Granite City. Funeral service will be at 4:30 p.m. today. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery at Holy Family Catholic Church, 2606 Washington Ave., with the Rev. Bill Fischler officiating. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery in Edwardsville.

The family suggests memorials to Holy Family Catholic Church or the American Lung Association.

Lovett

Gary Lomar Lovett, 37, formerly of Metro East for many years, died Sunday, April 22, 1991, in the West Paces Ferry Hospital in Atlanta.

Mr. Lovett was born Nov. 26, 1953, in Chicago and then became a resident of the Metro East. He was employed as an educator for 12 years. He was a member of the Trinity Church of God in Christ, Madison.

Survivors include his mother, Lois C. Lovett; four brothers, Raymond Coleman, Clifton Lovett, Harding Lovett Jr. and Ronnie Lovett; and two sisters, Leesa Lovett and Linda Lovett of Madison.

Funeral services were Saturday at Trinity Church of God in Christ, Madison, with Elder Marvin Fields, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Greenville, Ill. Officer Funeral Home was in charge.

Gusewelle

Raymond E. Gusewelle, 73, of Holiday Shores Afton Memorial Hospital, died Sunday, April 22, 1991, at Afton Memorial Hospital.

He was born Oct. 19, 1919, in Princeton, a son of the late Fred and Lena Gusewelle.

He married LaVerne Deahl in 1946. She preceded him in death in 1985.

Surviving are three sons, Thomas Gusewelle of Virginia Beach, Va., Dan Gusewelle of Bethalto, Ill., and Neil Gusewelle of Jacksonville, Ark.; two daughters, Sue Cullison of San Antonio, Texas, and Kathie Voyles of Germany; one sister, Eleanor Neimeyer of Belleville; and eight grandchildren.

Mr. Gusewelle worked for Dow Metal Co., Granite City, before retiring in 1981. He served with the U.S. Army during World War II. He was a member of St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Prairie Point. Visitation was Wednesday at the Landers Funeral Home in Bunker Hill, and Thursday at St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Prairie Point. Funeral services were held Thursday at the church, with the Rev. John Karlen officiating. Burial was in St. Peter's Lutheran Cemetery.

Memorials may be given to St. Peter's Lutheran Church.

Bates

Howard S. "Red" Bates, 76, of Granite City, died at 1:35 p.m. Friday, April 26, 1991, at Elizabeth Medical Center after an illness of five months and hospitalization of two weeks.

Mr. Bates was born Aug. 11, 1914, in Wabash County, Ill. He was employed by Union Electric for 32 years as a watchman. He retired in 1979.

He was of the Protestant faith and a member of the Operating Engineers Local #148.

Survivors include his wife, Alice (Wherry) Bates, who he married May 22, 1940, in Henderson, Ky.; two sons, Donald Bates of Glen Carbon and Jon Bates of Washington, Mo.; two brothers, Bernard Bates and Raymond Bates, both of Alton, Ill.; one sister, Vera Slattery, East Alton; and two grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Isaac Bates and Flora (Shrader) Bates.

Visitation will be held 4 p.m. today (Sunday) at Thomas Chapel, 2205 Pontoon Road, Pontoon Beach, where the services will be held at 10 a.m. Monday. Burial will be in Sunset Hill Memorial Gardens near Edwardsville.

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Harrison said he was glad to hear the mayor's decision, but noted that the street department had already seen a reduction in staff through attrition.

"We lost two men already (since the hiring freeze), and when I take office that will take another man off the street. We've only got 26 men now, and two of those will be foremen," Harrison explained.

"With vacations and sick leave," he continued, "you can count on about five men being gone each day in the summer. So we'll be down to about 19 men."

"We've got a lot of work to do... but I think we'll really turn it around and the guys are going to do some good work for the city."

Alderman Dan Brown, who served on the Ad Hoc committee to investigate possible solutions to the city's financial woes, feels the mayor's proposal lists too many increases in revenue and not enough cuts in expenses.

"There are definite waste areas (among the city's various departments)," Brown said. "The city is (in effect) becoming the biggest hiring hall in the area."

He said, as a member of the

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"Besides, trash is different," he said. "If they don't pay, then their trash just won't be picked up."

The proposal will undoubtedly have opponents, Whitaker said, and she doesn't blame people for being angry. But, she said, the city absolutely needs the extra revenue.

"It's either start charging or the city is going to start laying people off," he said.

Fourth Ward Alderman Dan Partney agreed with Whitaker that the city might have to make personnel layoffs. But, Partney said, that might not be a bad idea.

"At this stage, I have to say I'm opposed to charging for garbage pickup," Partney said. "The mayor's proposals indicate he is not looking at personnel cuts and I can't support any."

•Median

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the district engineer stated. Trustee Louis Whitsell disagreed.

"Could the mayor call a meeting with them? I would like to discuss this with them. This (crossover proposal) makes only one way out of taking new Estates Subdivision," he said.

Mayor Glen Wilson agreed to set up a meeting with IDOT in the near future.

"We also need to talk with them about Pontoon Road, especially near A & J Market," Wilson said.

Widening Pontoon Road to three lanes between Illinois 111 and the Alton & Southern Railroad is scheduled to start this summer.

•Soldier

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in the Persian Gulf, Ernest Mitchem was between assignments. He was attending the Advanced Non-Commissioned Officer Course at the Non-Commissioned Officer Academy and Lois Mitchem said his next assignment was an "on again, off again" situation.

But, she said, before he graduated, orders came — Ernest Mitchem was headed to Saudi Arabia. He left the day after Christmas last year. Since his future assignment was still uncertain, Lois Mitchem came to live with relatives in Granite City.

Beth Damrath, his 10-year-old granddaughter, had her class write letters to Ernest Mitchem. He wrote a letter back explaining he was too busy to answer each letter individually. But he promised that after he returned May 9 he would come to the school and answer all of their questions.

Mitchem was buried this morning in Lane, Ark., his hometown.

Having learned a lesson about war that is hard for people of any age, Beth's class plans to plant a tree in Ernest Mitchem's honor.

"Maybe it's because he was my husband," Lois Mitchem said. "But I think his effort in life needs to be recognized. He was a good person and a life like his deserves some type of acknowledgment."

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Ad Hoc committee "with the minority view," he is preparing a report of his stance on the city's financial situation.

Brown produced a budget comparison of FY '87 and '91, which contained some interesting figures. While the mayor's statement said city employees have received an average salary increase of just 3.5 percent over the last five years, Brown adds that a number of new jobs have been created, resulting in dramatic increases in departmental budgets.

For example, the executive department's total staff payroll rose from \$20,130 in FY 1987 to \$364,638 in FY 1991, according to Brown's figures, an increase of 91 percent.

A further breakdown of the figures show the mayor's staff's salaries skyrocketed from \$15,908 to \$81,551 in that time, a 386 percent increase, or an average of 96.5 percent per year, Brown said.

The addition of an Economic Planning staff and one more attorney added to the increased expenditures, Brown noted.

Other departments with substantial budget increases over the four-year period include City Defense (41 percent total), City

Clerk (38 percent total), and Engineering and Public Works (57 percent salary increases), according to Brown.

"Needless to say, I disagree with the mayor's assessment," Brown's fellow Fourth Ward Alderman Dan Partney said he was not aware of the mayor's plans until he read about them in the *Press-Record*.

"I have received no report from the Ad Hoc committee yet," Partney said, "and I think the only feasible way to find the right solution is to look at the Ad Hoc committee's recommendations. Are they different (from the mayor's proposal)? Are they parallel? Frankly, I don't know at this time."

"But I can say I do have a problem with no proposed cuts (in city staff). This city has seen a tremendous population decrease, and at the same time an increase in personnel."

As chairman of the city's Negotiating committee, it has been Partney's consistent position that wage increases for the various departments would have to be compensated for by cuts in personnel.

"I've worked very closely with the city comptroller (Kim MacTaggart), and every figure I've

Still, Partney said, the only thing he knows about the mayor's proposal is what was written in the paper. He said would listen to the mayor's and other recommendations and do some research on his own, but "right now I don't see myself supporting it."

Alderman-elect Juanita Crawley, 1st Ward, has been a long-time advocate for Granite City's senior citizens. She has said property taxes on older people are fixed incomes the hardest.

"People aren't going to like paying for trash pickup, but people don't want higher property taxes either," she said.

"I got to thinking — it sure seems like going through an awful lot of things just to keep from raising property taxes."

At this point in the budget crisis, Partney said, "No proposal other than raising taxes is too stupid to be discussed and evaluated."

Due to construction of 5-foot sidewalks along each side of Pontoon Road, it will be necessary to extend each end of the existing culvert at Long Lake and to place additional embankment materials there.

A & J Market and Huck's Convenience Store are located at Lake Drive and Pontoon Road, where a jog in the roadway crossing the lake needs straightening out.

Preparation work for installing the new culverts is expected to begin soon.

Trustees also approved a resolution to send a letter of understanding with the state highway department for resur-

facing and improvements on Chain of Rocks Road between Illinois 111 and Illinois 157.

Village Attorney Robert Jensen reviewed IDOT's proposal and said the project "would be a tremendous benefit to us."

Although IDOT said the state will bear the primary cost of the resurfacing project, estimated at \$26,000, the village must take responsibility for relocation of any village-owned utilities. No utilities owned by the village are located in the vicinity.

"Sand Road would not be improved, other than just the normal apron work," Jensen said, responding to a question.

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needed shows me we're putting the city in a heck of a bind by giving any raises at all... I hate to say this, but it appears to me the mayor is either misinformed or doesn't know what he's talking about."

Partney said all avenues must be explored before a definite solution is decided upon.

"No one person has 'all the right answers,'" he said. "It would behoove everybody to have the Ad Hoc committee report to the council as a whole."

"At this stage," Partney said, "I'm in no position to say what needs to be done. The council needs much more information before a decision can be made."

Asked why he thought too little information had been provided to the aldermen, Partney said, "not too little, but none."

Partney said the city needs to get together with the other taxing bodies in the city, such as the school district, park district and the library, and agree to some kind of program to hold the line on property taxes which would be equitable for all.

"But I feel there's got to be some cuts made in the city if we're going to ask other taxing bodies to cut waste as well," Partney explained.

"I just don't know. Something has to happen. There are so many things that have to be done, but where the heck is the money going to come from?"

Fourth Ward Alderman Dan Brown said a charge for garbage collection is the equivalent of a tax increase.

Brown is a member of the mayor's Ad Hoc committee considering ways of cutting the budget. He said the committee is now preparing its report in which he represents the minority view.

"If the average taxpayer pays \$225 per household (each year) to the city in property taxes, and we decide to charge \$75 for trash collection, we are effectively raising taxes 33 percent," Brown said. "Needless to say, I disagree with the mayor's assessment."

Approximate plans and specifications by the village was required prior to the state advertising for bids on performing the work.

In addition to pavement resurfacing and shoulder work, the state agreed to make surveys, prepare plans and specifications, receive bids and award the contract.

Also included are engineering inspections and payment of all incidental costs, plus the cost of painting permanent markings upon completion of the improvements.

Rocks Road in the area where resurfacing is planned and lies within the village boundaries.

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Madison County officials worry over delay in St. Clair 911 system

By Nicole Vaughn

Staff writer

A delay in the start-up of the St. Clair County 911 system sent a ripple of concern through Madison County officials, who expect their 911 system to go on line in December.

The delay is not expected to affect Madison County.

C. William Grogan, of the East-West Gateway Coordinating Council, project consultants, said St. Clair County moved its system starting date from the end of June to the end of July. Grogan said there were several reasons for the setback, but the key issue was having enough time to adequately test the system.

"Testing the equipment takes at least six weeks," Grogan said.

Grogan told members of the 911 Emergency System Board during a meeting Thursday that Illinois Bell had not yet returned the Master Street Address Guide submitted to it.

"I'm assuming that means Illinois Bell hasn't had the time or personnel to enter it (into its data base) yet," Grogan said.

For the 911 program, all rural addresses must be changed to street addresses. Grogan said

that that process is 91 percent done and should be completed in about two weeks. Only households in rural Edwardsville and Jarvis Township remain.

Jim O'Loughlin, a consultant, said St. Clair County's MSAG would have to be programmed by Illinois Bell before Madison County's could be. And St. Clair County is probably 12th or 13th on a list for the company to complete, O'Loughlin said.

Members remained confident that Madison County 911 will begin in December. Currently only Highland and Edwardsville have the service.

"I see no reason to change the Dec. 16 contractual agreement with Illinois Bell," said Jim O'Loughlin, county administrator.

"I don't hear that it's not a realistic date — just that there's hazards to getting there."

O'Loughlin announced a "schedule of events" for the 911 system in coming months.

The board will meet May 15 with ambulance providers so

that service boundaries can be drawn and programmed into the 911 system. The meeting will be held at 7 p.m. at Edwardsville City Hall.

O'Loughlin said a contract with Motorola, the successful bidder for the 911 equipment, should be signed on or before May 28. Representatives from the company will be touring the county's public service answering points (PSAP) on May 2 and 3.

The system's application to the Illinois Commerce Commission should be completed by June 3. O'Loughlin said. A second draft of the application has already been submitted but ICC officials have said they don't want to see it again until it's done," said O'Loughlin.

The 911 equipment is to arrive on or before July 25 with installation to be completed Aug. 25. Testing of the program is to begin Sept. 5.

Grassroots

Upcoming meetings of Quad-City area governmental taxing bodies include:

Madison City Council, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 30, City Hall, 1539 Third St., Madison.

Madison School Board, 7 p.m. Thursday, May 2; Board Office, 1707 Fourth St., Madison.

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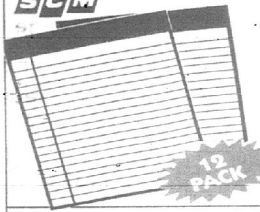
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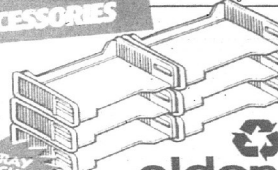
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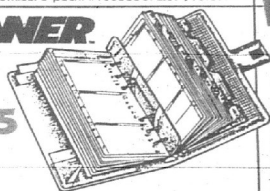
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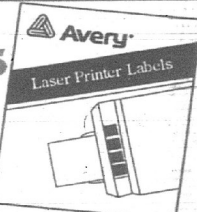
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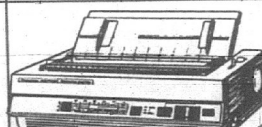


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Lady Warriors get the Word, 2-1

By Brian Henry
Correspondent

GRANITE CITY — Friday's marquee soccer matchup between the Lady Warriors and Incarnate Word might have been decided more by the weather than the efforts of the two teams.

But Granite City will take it. The Lady Warriors pulled off a mild upset as they edged the area's top-ranked team 2-1 at Memorial Stadium on a fourth-quarter goal by junior Amanda Witter. All three goals were scored with the wind, which was gusting at 25-30 miles per hour the whole game.

It was Incarnate Word's first loss of the season (15-1-1), while

the Lady Warriors won their sixth straight game and improved to 10-1.

"I think the main difference for us was miscommunication in the backfield," said Incarnate Word coach Maureen McVey. "Other than that, it came down to whoever had the wind."

"The wind was definitely a big factor," said Lady Warrior coach Gene Baker. "The team that had the wind was able to dominate."

There were only two shots in the first half, but the Lady Warriors took advantage of theirs. Sophomore Beth Kapoff scored on a direct kick from 25 yards out at 21:07. The shot whistled over the hands of Incarnate Word keeper Jennifer Gette-

meier into the top left corner. "Beth really got off a bomb on her goal," said Baker. "With the wind being so strong, we wanted to come out of the first half even with them."

"We were trying a new system in the first half," said McVey. "With the 4-4-2 we were running, we were losing on offense. We went back to our basic 4-3-3 before we scored."

The switch paid dividends at 47:59 of the third quarter on a goal by Tristia Harting. She got behind the Lady Warrior defense to deflect a Keryl Wickhausen pass over goaltender Stephanie Kult. It was only the third goal Granite City has allowed all season.

Incarnate Word had two other

chances before the goal. A direct kick by Shelly Meek went wide and a corner kick was headed out of danger by Angela Bason. An apparent goal for Incarnate Word late in the third quarter was waved off because of a hand ball.

Then Witter and Addie Lenzi teamed up to decide the game at 67:18. Lenzi made the run virtually uncontested and Witter blasted a shot off Gettemeier's hand and off the post before it went in for her sixth of the season.

"This was Witter's best game of the year," said Baker. "She really came to play."

Kult made five saves, including big ones on Harting and Meek late in the game. Harting

had a partial breakthrough and was robbed from point-blank range. With 11 minutes left, Kult dove out to knock the ball away from Meek, who would have had a certain goal.

"Stephanie was simply outstanding," Baker said. "When we needed the big save, she was able to make it. Our entire backfield made it hard for them to get in for a good shot. Tammy Dutko, Beth and Ann Logan all played very well on defense. It was a great team win."

McVey was able to take the loss in stride. Her team outshot the Lady Warriors 6-4.

"I told them that if you're going to lose, this is where you would want to lose," she said. "I'd like to get this out of our

system before we start district play. Granite City has an excellent team. They are one of the best teams, if not the best, we've played all year."

Baker's teams have not lacked recognition in the past. But despite the excellent start this year, they have remained in the lower part of the area top ten rankings (seventh in this week's Journal poll).

"I think this will give us a little credibility," he said. "We should have been ranked higher than seventh. We'll just take it as it comes. This was a big win for the girls. They worked hard for it."

The Lady Warriors host Hazelwood West at 6 p.m. Monday at Memorial Stadium.

Leadoff man T. Hogan on record pace at top of Cougar lineup

By Dave Whaley
Staff writer

EDWARDSVILLE — For those wanting to hear a deep discussion on the science of stealing bases, go listen to Lou Brock for an hour or so. Tim Hogan is much more to the point.

"I just try to get a good jump and use my speed," said Hogan. "I really don't know if I'm a good base stealer."

Well, he's not a bad one, either. Through Thursday, Hogan had stolen 34 bases in 38 attempts (.894 percentage) for the SIUE baseball team. The junior left fielder — who was a three-sport star at Granite City High School along with twin brother Jamie — was within three of the Cougars' single-season record of 37 set in 1983 by George Vogel.

Hogan and the Cougars took a 25-9 record into Friday's double-header at Northeast Missouri State. They also had a double-header at Quincy College on Saturday before hitting Quincy in another twinbill today at 1 p.m. The record should be Hogan's by then.

Maybe.

"You never know about base stealing," said Hogan. "Some days everything goes right and you might get three. The next day you might get picked off or there's somebody ahead of you on the bases all the time."

Hogan didn't steal any bases in an 8-3 win over Missouri Baptist on Thursday at Roy Lee Field. He was on base three times, but only once without a runner ahead of him. That was

"There's a certain role battling leadoff, and I enjoy it. You need to take a lot of pitches and get on base all the time...The (stolen base) record was something I was definitely aiming at when the season started. I'd like to get 50 this year, but you never know."

—Tim Hogan

when he led off the first inning with a bunt single. Before he could steal, the Missouri Baptist pitcher had thrown two wild pitches and Hogan was at third, from where he scored on an error. He later drove in the game's final run with a sacrifice fly.

"The record was something I was definitely aiming at when the season started," said Hogan. "I only stole 18 last year, but I didn't get to start until the second half of the season. I'd like to get 50 this year, but you never know."

The Cougars have 18 games left in the regular season, so 50 is within reach. That would leave him just four steals shy of the Cougars' career record of 72 set by Vogel. And Hogan will still have a full season to go.

Stealing bases is just one role of the leadoff batter, and Hogan is doing it all from that spot as

(See HOGAN, Page 3B)



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TIM HOGAN has close to 10 bunt hits this year for the SIUE Cougars.



Dennis Barnidge

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No mas.

I hate to sound like your Uncle Henry rhapsodizing over nickel movies, lunches at the corner tavern and the trolley cars running on time, but progress stinks. Big time.

Buried deep in *The Baseball* (See BARNIDGE, Page 3B)

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65 and over softball team ready for Senior Olympics

By Mike Kelly
Staff writer

GRANITE CITY—The mind is a powerful thing. It can control the body, building confidence and determination for an athlete on the mend or preparing himself for a lofty challenge.

Such a fate hovers over Granite City's Senior Olympic team for players age 65 and over. At the national tournament held in St. Louis two years ago, the team managed to place fifth even though it competed in the 55 and under division. The group is looking for better results in this year's U.S. Senior Olympics, to be held in Syracuse, N.Y. on June 28-July 2. This time they will be in the 65 and over division.

We actually could have finished third at the national tournament two years ago, said player manager John Allen of Collinsville. "But we made a couple of mistakes running the bases and we had to settle for fifth. We're determined to make a better showing this time around. That tournament was actually an experiment."

It was the first time the Senior Olympics held a tournament for softball. We came away feeling pretty good about



(Staff photo by Mike Kelly)

SENIOR OLYMPIANS Front row, left to right, Charles Cable, John Allen, Alex Schutzenhofer and Bob Bixler. Middle row: Ed Hoff, Gus Lignoul, Boyd McCommis, John Palchiff, Howard "Lefty" Harris. Back row: Les Thompson, H. Babe Amelung, Don Burnett and Mike Tessaro.

ourselves, considering our age. But what makes an athlete push himself at that age? "We're just a competitive group of guys," Allen said. "Most of us have been playing ball for nearly 40 years. You love the competition, and you

can't get it out of your system. You just develop an athletic way of life to stay active."

Apparently, the Granite City group isn't alone in its quest. Since the Olympic committee expanded the tournament to a 65 and over division this season, 40

teams have applied to play in the national tournament. More than 4,000 athletes in that age bracket will also participate at the festival in a number of events. But Granite City is the only softball team from the St. Louis area—and, in fact, the

state of Illinois—in the 65 and over category.

"We're very proud of that fact," Allen said. "Most of our team members (14 players) are from Granite City, but we also have players from Collinsville, Fairview Heights, Florissant (Mo.), St. Charles (Mo.), Cape Girardeau (Mo.), and Madison. We just have the desire to succeed athletically."

"That's why the mind is so important. No matter what type of injury you have, the mind will help mend. If you believe you can do something, it will be accomplished."

Some of the team members, including Allen, who earned a silver medal in the discus at the Senior Olympics in 1989, will also compete in the track and field events. Alex Schutzenhofer, 67, will throw the javelin, and run in the 100 meter dash. Teammate Boyd McCommis, 68,

will run the 50 meter dash. Charles Cable will enter the bowling competition.

To stay sharp, the team is playing a series of exhibition games against teams from the Wilson Park Senior League and St. Louis. They also practice on Tuesdays and Thursdays at Wilson Park from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in preparation for the national tournament.

The team will also play in a four-team regional at SIUE on May 4. They'll be the only team over 65.

The team is seeking additional sponsors for the national tournament and a few more players for their exhibition schedule. Illinois Distributing of Belleville has donated caps and jerseys for the trip to Syracuse.

Our door is always open for a few more sponsors and players, Allen said. "You can't go very far without them."

Bowland notes

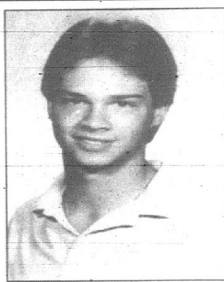
Bruce David rolled an 832 series at Bowland on March 13. He had games of 276, 278 and 278.

David is a junior at Granite City High School and has been bowling for 13 years. He is the son of Bruce and Debbie David.

There were seven local winners in the Zone 5 tournament held at Bowland on March 16. Advancing to the next level in Bloomington were Paul Kacera, Chris Ousley, Chris Hartman, Mike Schwallier, Doug Buehrer, John Cozair and Viola Weber.

Results are final for several Bowland leagues. In Battleground, the first-place team consisted of Travis Papp, Ashley Reynolds and Joseph Colyer. The second-place team was Justin Rumpf, Timmy Frost, Kyle Bailey and Jimmy Bailey. In the girls division, the most improved bowler was Shelly Pulaski (15 pins); high average was Lindsay Moore (101); high series was Sara Rinehart (327); and high game was Shelly Pulaski (150). In the boys division, most improved was Joseph Colyer (31 pins); high average was Matt Call (110); high series was Timmy Frost (442); and high game was Joe Brechne (277).

Preps: First-place team was David Moore, David Cook, Matt Weissenborn, Mike Schwallier and Iobbie Finch. Second place was Angela Carney, Joseph Carney, Ryan Anderson and Richard Anderson. In the girls division, most improved was Karen Knox (18 pins); high average



Bruce David Jr.
276, 278, 278 games

was Kimberly Greer (114); high series was Sherri Freeman (372); high game was Angela Carney (165). In the boys division, most improved was Joseph Carney (14 pins); high average was Jason Call (154); high series was Mike Schwallier (515); high game was Ryan Anderson (223). Juniors: First place was Wayne Hagopian, Jeff Hensley, Chris Hartman, Jason Candiff and Theresa Dames. Second was Danny Roady, David Badgett, Lisa Badgett and Michelle Colbert. Girls: most improved, Michelle Colbert (13 pins); high average, Theresa Dames (155); high series, Lisa Badgett (471);

high game, Jaime Beaver (210). Boys: most improved, Chris Hartman (23 pins); high average, Shane McCallister (170); high series, Jason Candiff (623); high game, Paul Pulaski (243).

Majors: First place was Bruce David Jr. (276, 278, 278); high series, John Cozair. Second place was Doug Buehrer, Dave Dunlap and Sara Newby. Girls: most improved, Amy Martin (9 pins); high average, Terri Johnson (174); high series, Amy Martin (443); high game, Sara Newby (131). Boys: most improved, Steve Chapman (14 pins); high average, Doug Buehrer (222); high series, Bruce David Jr. (276); high game, Paul Roan (280).

Scratch: First place was Doug Buehrer and Dave Dunlap. Second was Chris Brown and Jerry Owens. Girls: most improved, Kellie Gregory (19 pins); high average, Viola Weber (178); high series, Terri Johnson (463); high game, Theresa Dames (246). Boys: most improved, Chris Brown (13 pins); high average, Doug Buehrer (229); high series, Jason Wonders (771); high game, Jason Stroud (290).

Friday After-school: First place was Keri Ousley, Melissa

Montgomery and Brooke Montgomery. Second was Paul Kacera, Dustin Brewer, Jeremy Jenny, Lindsey (368); high game, Keri Ousley (138). Boys: most improved, Chris Ousley (25 pins); high average, Jason Lemler (130); high series, Chris Lemler (457); high game, Paul Kacera (196).

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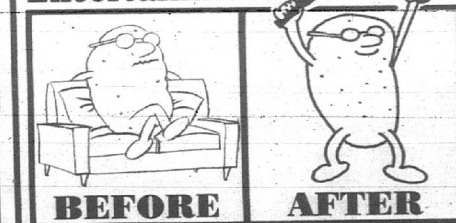
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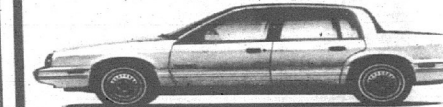


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Catalog is a boxscore of a National League game between the Chicago White Stockings and the Indianapolis Blues on May 1, 1878. I can read that boxscore without much trouble. I'd be surprised if I could do the same with the boxscores of May 1, 1891.

Baseball has gone number crazy. And it's making even the most hard-core fans nuts.

Long ago English Prime Minister Benjamin Disraeli apparently liked to utter a line that went: "There are lies, damned lies and statistics."

Go get 'em, Ben, and toss in damned statistics for me. I don't want to be backward about this. I find Bill Barnes useful. The *Elus Baseball Analyst* is gibberish, but kind of entertaining gibberish. Monthly meetings of SABR groups keeps those

people off the street. But really.

Why screw around with perfection. Don't redesign the rose. Don't shoot collagen in Kim Basinger's lips. Don't make ESPN a pay channel. And don't turn boxscores into work.

I like to read through the boxscores when I get up in the morning. Usually all I'm wearing is a robe and a snarl. I'm not dressed for or in any mood for something that requires a key to decipher.

The other morning I picked up the sports section of *USA Today*. I knew the Cardinals had beaten the Chicago Cubs on Felix Jose's homer in the ninth inning off relief ace Dave Smith because I was listening to the game with one ear while I worked. All I wanted that morning was to see the boxscore to catch up on the rest of the numbers. A simple request.

But there, in the Cubs pitching line, was this:

Da Smith 1-0-2BS,3 0-1-2-1-0-9.53.

Get back, Jack. What the hell is that?

I'll tell you what that is. Gunk. Muck. BS.

As gunked up as boxscores have become, worse yet are the season stats. *Baseball Today*, a sister publication of *USA Today*, tosses in categories like ILRSC (inherited runners/inherited runners scored) and lb+bb+bbp (total bases plus walks plus hits per pitch).

Even *The Sporting News*, the Bible of Baseball turned Yellow Pages of goofy stats, makes you work to pull a player's season numbers out of its team listings.

There are 38 columns of numbers. Thirty-eight columns! For every hitter!

And hitters are the easy part of TSN's stat package. Stats for pitchers have 42 columns.

It used to be so easy. So simple. So perfect.

And now it's this: Lord, give me strength. Lord, give me patience. Lord, give me a calculator. Lord, give me a handspan.

Dennis Barnidge is a sports columnist for the *Suburban Journal*.

Hogan

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the catalyst of the SIUE offense. He's on pace to set Cougar records in runs and walks. He has scored 48 runs and walked 32 times. The SIUE records in those respective categories are 59 (Aaron Eberlin in 1987) and 46 (Mike Allaria in 1972).

Barring injury and with a solid senior season, Hogan could also set new Cougar career records in those categories. Vogel scored 151 career runs (Hogan presently has scored 75) and Allaria walked 110 times (Hogan now has 58). Both of those players played four full seasons for the Cougars, while Hogan will play only three.

"There's a certain role batting leadoff, and I enjoy it," said Hogan. "You need to take a lot of pitches and get on base all the time."

Hogan has an on-base percentage of .549 this year and over .500 for his career.

"I've always been a leadoff hitter except for my junior year in high school," said Hogan. "I batted eighth that year, and that was when I was 37 for 37 in steals. I guess it's a little easier to steal bases when you're down lower in the order. They're not paying as close attention to you as they would the leadoff

man." Hogan has been picked off first more than he's actually been caught stealing this year. "I've never really risked anything on stealing," he said. "That's why I wouldn't call myself a great base stealer. I just try to read the pitcher and steal the base off him with my speed."

Despite all the walks, Hogan still has to hit to get on base so often. And he's managed to keep his average right around .330 last season after batting .326 last year.

"A lot of the other guys have had peaks and valleys, but I've managed to stay pretty consistent," said Hogan. "A natural right-handed batter who started switch-hitting a couple years ago. Batting left-handed was hard at first, but now I bat left-handed a lot more often because there are more right-handed pitchers."

"But I think I'm hitting about the same from both sides. And I'm stronger this year. Hogan actually hit two home runs during the Cougars' spring trip to Georgia—one from each side of the plate."

The other guys were saying "Mickey Mantle, Eddie Murray and Tim Hogan," he said.

worked out a lot with weight. In the off-season with a guy named Curt Mathes in Granite City. He helped me a ton. I think I had six doubles last year, and that was it. This year, only four doubles, two triples and two home runs. And the line drives I'm hitting are going deeper in the gaps."

Hogan is striking out a little bit more (16 times in 124 at-bats) than he did in high school, when he fanned only four times, his entire senior year. But the one part of his game he would like to improve most is his throwing arm, something which has always been one of his strong points.

"I think I threw four or five guys out at the plate last year, but for some reason my arm isn't very good this season," he said. "It's not sure. It just feels tired a lot of the time."

Hogan would also like to move back to center field, but Todd Carter is a fixture there for the Cougars. And Carter is also a junior. But guys named Brock, Coleman, Henderson and Raines all play or played left field.

As a leadoff man, Tim Hogan is following right along. At the same time, he's leading the way for the Cougars.

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Youth orchestra set for May concert

By Alicia Ruehrwein
Staff writer

The St. Louis Symphony Youth Orchestra, which gathers some of the best musical talent from around the metropolitan area, will showcase that talent in a concert May 19.

The concert will be the youth orchestra's final one of the season and will be at Powell Symphony Hall at 3 p.m. It is sponsored by the *Suburban Journals*, which was a sponsor of both the December and March concerts.

May's program is a blending of contemporary and classic music, said Peggy Neilson, manager of the youth orchestra.

As a farewell to Donald Erb's final season as composer-in-residence for the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra, the youth orchestra

will open with his piece, "Treasures of the Snow." It is abstract music drawn by a literary reference in the Bible. The piece was written in 1974 for the youth orchestra.

Aaron Topfer, a senior at University High School and winner of the youth orchestra's piano concerto competition, will perform Liszt's first piano concerto.

"The concerto is a difficult piece of music," Neilson said. "It's a good show piece." The orchestra will end with Saint-Saens' "Organ Symphony," a French piece with two piano parts written in 1886.

"It's quite unusual," Neilson said. Auditions for the youth symphony are held every fall. "The orchestra is designed as an addition to instruction in music that members receive

through their school programs," Neilson said. Youth orchestra members range in age from 12 to 22 and live within a 75-mile radius of St. Louis, she said.

AARP to hear talk on memory

"Memory Changes with Age" will be the topic of a discussion at a meeting of the American Association of Retired Persons, Chapter 2827, at 1:30 p.m. May 14 at the Belleville Area College's Programs and Services for Older Persons Auditorium.

"It introduces students to the structure and atmosphere of a professional orchestra," Neilson said. "They have a chance to be in more of a competitive atmosphere."

201 N. Church St. in Belleville. Marge Scovitch, a registered nurse with the "Memory Change" program, will be addressing the topic.

Attendance prizes will be awarded, and gifts will be awarded to three mothers.

Greekfest planned in May

The Saints-Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Church is sponsoring its annual Greekfest May 24-26 at 405 Huntwood Road off Illinois 159 in Belleville. The event will feature traditional Greek food — shish-ka-bob, Grecian chicken, gyros, hotdogs, and mouthwatering Greek pastries baked by the ladies of the parish. Pastries include baklava, spinach pie, cheese pie, custard thepies and more. Beer, wine and other drinks will be featured, along with Greek and American music and games for the kids. The festival will run from 5 p.m. to 11 p.m. on May 24, 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. on May 25 and 11:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. on May 26.

Youth symphony discount available with coupon

Suburban Journals readers can obtain exclusive half-price tickets to the May 19 concert of the St. Louis Symphony Youth Orchestra, made up of 100 of the most talented local youth musicians.

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Regular prices for the tickets are \$10, \$4 and \$2.50. *Journal* readers can obtain

tickets for \$5, \$4 and \$2.50. The May 19 concert will begin at 3 p.m. and will be under the baton of David Loebl, the youth orchestra's associate conductor and a University City resident. Pianist Aaron Topfer, a senior at University City High School who won the youth orchestra's annual piano concerto competition, will be the featured soloist.

The program will feature two 19th-century classics — Liszt's first piano concerto and Saint-Saens' third symphony (the "Organ" symphony). Also on the program will be "Treasures of the Snow" by Donald Erb, who is completing his final season as composer-in-residence with the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra.

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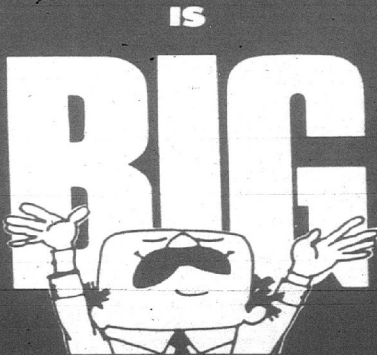
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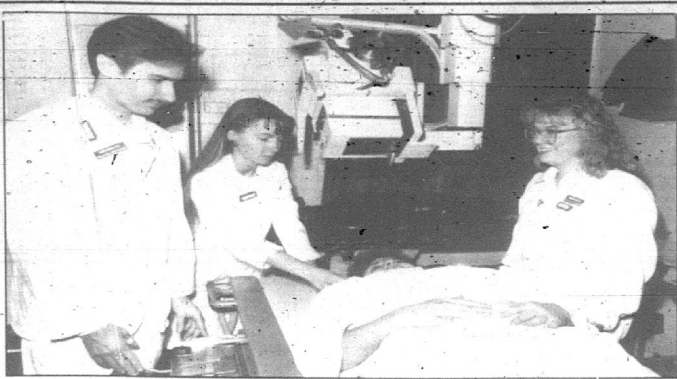
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Ladies Coterie holds officer election

Ladies Coterie held its April 18 meeting in the church parlor at the First Presbyterian Church, Granite City, at 1 p.m.

Dessert and coffee were served by the hostess, Mrs. Peter Novachik, to 26 members. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mrs. W.C. Watkins. The Club Collect was given by Marguerite Barker. Mrs. Richard Schwendemann, president, presided.

The following slate of officers for the 1991-92 year was accepted unanimously by the membership: President, Mrs. Harold Briggs; vice president, Mrs. Charles Rodell; recording secretary, Mrs. David Friedman; treasurer, Mrs. Vasil Vasileff; and corresponding secretary, Mrs. Charlie Delp.

Mrs. David Friedman possessed the winning ticket in the raffle drawing sponsored by the GFWC Illinois 22nd District and received a beautiful handmade quilt.

Mrs. Joseph Bilbrey, Condolence chairman, reported that a floral arrangement had been sent, in behalf of the Ladies Coterie, in memory of Ed Reiske, husband of Loretta.

Revival to start at New Salem Baptist

New Salem Missionary Baptist Church will hold a revival starting Monday, April 29, through Friday, May 3, at the church, 1349 Klein St. Venice.

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Also in attendance were Dolores Sheridan, Shirley Morgan, Ann Tatum, Jane Haug, Norma McKay, Lorraine Butler, Melia Rosenberg, Kathy Kech, and four guests, Van Stuart, Elsie Rodell, Julianne Hatcher, and Diane Schwendeman.

Hostesses were Debbie Geggus, Mary Lou Richeson, Hilda Schroeder and Martha Ruth Thomas. The May business meeting will be held at the YMCA on May 1 at 7:30 p.m.

Chapter honors members

On Friday, March 15, Chapter 432, Order of the Eastern Star, honored the following members who have been members for 25 years through 31 years: Suzanne Weise 31 years, Marie Hockstra 34 years, Mariam Ozanich 37 years, Louise Thompson 38 years, Mae Lee 39 years, and Helen Metz 39 years, Ella Wade 40 years, Wilma Gillham 42 years, also Lucille Beach 45 years, and Clyde Lee 51 years.

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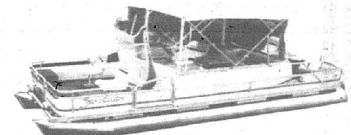
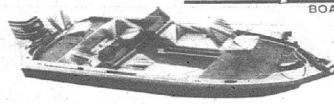
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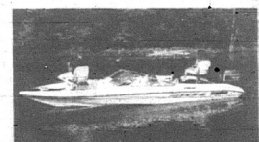
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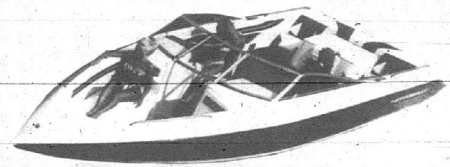
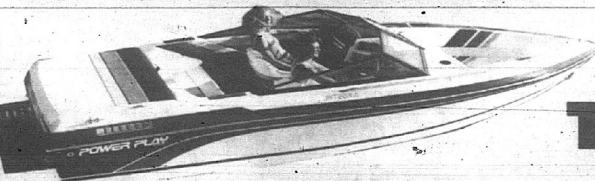


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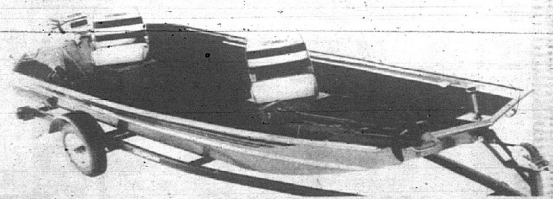


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Five students were given special honors for their books. Mary Wienhoff wrote "Mr. Wolf," Mark Miller created "Mike and

Ike," Matt Weisenborn penned "Best Friends," David Reznak wrote "The Elves' Hole," and Heather Moll created "Jack and Charlie."

Jeanie York's "Professor Plum's New Invention" and Nicole Knobeloch's "The Two Dinosaurs That Shared" tied for first place. Both will represent Holy Family School at the Regional Young Author's Conference April 27.

All the young authors are visiting classrooms throughout the school and orally presenting their books for the enjoyment of teachers and students.

1,181 are named to winter quarter SIUE dean's list

Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville had 1,181 students qualifying for the dean's list for the winter quarter.

To qualify for the dean's list, a student must maintain a grade point average of 4.5 or better and have 12 hours calculated.

Local students qualifying for the list include:

GRANITE CITY: Michael Barnhart, Elizabeth Barr, Christine Biesnicki, Tim Black, Derek Bloodworth, Deborah Browning, Randall Burgess, Deborah Burmeister, Cordean Burnitt, Larry Burns Jr., Jennifer Carnahan, Vanessa Chomko, Michelle Cooper, Carolyn Cramer, Jennifer Debevec, Deborah Ethridge, Patricia Fountain, Kristina Fuhrman, Melissa Gattuso, Kimberly Gindler, Timothy Gossett,

Walter Griffith, Kathryn Grippi, Lynley Harrison, Thomas Hitt, Eric Hoese, Paula Hummel, Michael Johnson, Melissa

Jones, Kimberly Joyce, Brigitte Kittel, Cynthia Kraus, Eric Layelle, Shelly McClelland, Harold McCollum,

Sean McGovern, Darlene McQuade, Edward Melton, Melanie Mertz, Patricia Meyer, Christine Mills, Kimberly Morgan, Kim Myracle, Heather Nobus, Clint Parish, Elizabeth Parker,

Tina Paschedag, Christopher Poirer, Connie Popmarkoff, Michelle Poyner, Karl Rapoff, Sharon Reader, Kelly Reed, Teresa Remis, Matthew Roe, Monica Rothe, Laura Rotter, Eric Ryterski, Ervin Schaefer, Todd Shelton, Amy Siebert, Lisa Smith, Rhonda Smith, Richard Simac, Cheryl Swift, Ann Szecepanik, Stephen Uram, Ralph Walden, Roberta Welser, Coral Wolff, Denise Worthen and Janelia Yohby.

MADISON: Ida Buckels, Rebecca Scantlen and Nick War-

VENICE: Jeffrey Griggs.



LOOKING TO THE FUTURE: Some of the 40 students from Niedringhaus School who won blue ribbons, honorable mention or medallions at the Elementary Science Fair at Prather School. More than 100 Niedringhaus pupils entered the contest. Medallion winners were Alyson McDowell, fourth grade; Adams Stevens, first grade; and Kyle Revelle, kindergarten.

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STUDENTS OF THE MONTH: Seventh grade students at Grigsby Junior High School Jason Cox, left, and Tricia Cavins, were named Students of the Month for March.



TOP STUDENTS: Students of the Month for March in the eighth grade at Grigsby Junior High School are Brad Graves, left, and April Glowacki.

Student receives college scholarship

Eureka College has announced the selection of Jennifer Brand of Granite City as the recipient of a Fine and Performing Arts Scholarship.

Brand was selected by Eureka College faculty on the basis of her audition, presentation of portfolio and demonstration of academic and curricular excellence.

Brand will graduate from Granite City Senior High School this spring. In high school she has been active in drama, Speech Team, International

Thespians Society (president), National Forensic League, Speech and Theatre Club (president) and Foreign Policy Club.

The Fine and Performing Arts Scholarship is one of Eureka's most prestigious scholarships and is worth up to \$16,000 over four years.

Eureka College, chartered in 1855, offers academic degrees in a wide area of the sciences, business administration, social sciences, fine and performing arts, humanities and education.

Family bowling for Cub Pack 14

Cub Pack 14, sponsored by Good Shepherd United Methodist Church of Granite City, held a family bowling party on April 7 at the Granite City Bowl.

The event was organized by Cubmaster Susan Shafer.

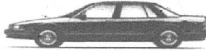
Cub Scouts and others participating included: Jacob, Sherre

and Bill Knuckles, Susan and Ronald Shafer, Steven and Mark Light, Andy Hartline, Billy, Dusty and Phil Witt, Brian Cantlon, Jason, Chris and Bev Taylor, Robert and Robbie Gerber, Dustin Lawson, Harriet, Gerald, Terry and John Hull and Joshua Turner.

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DONATE TO DARE: Sixth-grade students in Dan James' class at Niedringhaus School collected soda cans for recycling in the cafeteria during lunch hour for several months and donated the money they earned to the Drug Abuse Resistance Education Fund. Granite City DARE Officer Walter Milton Jr. accepts the check from Sarah Signall and Amanda Dunnivant, class members.

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PARKVIEW WINNERS: Four students at Parkview Elementary School receive medallions, the highest honor at the annual School District 9 science fair, for their entries. From the left are Jeff Klee, Katie Dellamano, Brandon Houser and Amanda Crabtree.

Registration soon for kindergarten

Kindergarten registration for the 1991-92 school year will be held at the Venice Elementary School in the kindergarten room beginning Monday, May 13, through Thursday, May 16, from 9:00 until 11:00 a.m. and from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Children who will be five years old on or before Sept. 1, 1991, will be eligible to register for kindergarten classes.

A birth certificate and immunization record must be presented at the time of registration for kindergarten students. Physical and dental examinations are also

required before attendance in kindergarten may begin in the fall of the 1991-92 school year. These forms are available to parents at the time of registration.

Illinois law states that no child may enter school for the first time without the following immunizations: whooping cough, diphtheria, tetanus, polio, measles, rubella, mumps, and rubella (three-day measles).

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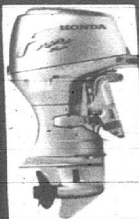
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Parker graduates at Eastern Illinois

James C. Parker was a March graduate of Eastern Illinois University at Charleston, where he received a bachelor of science degree in elementary education. He is the son of Jim and Sharon Parker and the grandson of Keith and Clara Parker and Chris and Ann Hamilos, all of Granite City.

Parker is enrolled at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville, working toward a master's degree in administration.

Cedor to receive seminary degree

FORT WORTH, Texas — William David Cedor will receive the master of divinity degree from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary during commencement ceremonies May 10.

Cedor is the son of William Walter Cedor Jr. of Columbia, S.C. and Mary R. Hoffman of Granite City.

Cedor is married to Donna Kay, daughter of the late William W. Upton of Vandalia and June L. Upton of Vandalia.

Third Baptist Church, Granite City, is Cedor's home church.

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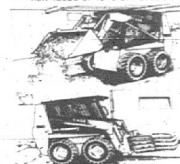
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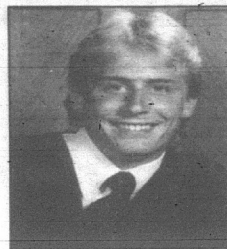
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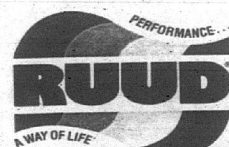
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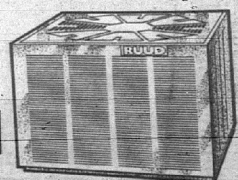
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SUNDAY, APRIL 28, 1991
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Trio of rice favorites compete for top honors

Three great-tasting, original, easy-to-prepare rice recipes were given top honors and cash prizes in the Uncle Ben's Cook & Tell Cook-Off competition. Winners of six individual rice recipe contests conducted by Uncle Ben's Inc. during 1990 and 1991 vied for the prizes.

The \$5,000 grand prize winner, Fiesta Rice and Black-Bean Salad, combines high-carbohydrate basmati-type (one brand is Aramatic) or parboiled rice with black beans, corn, jalapeno and bell peppers. A guacamole-style dressing of avocado, cilantro and yogurt complements the flavors. It can be served as a healthy meatless entree or as a side dish.

Richly-flavored Brand New Old World Stew won a \$1,000 first prize. It combines kielbasa with chicken broth, great Northern beans, rice, scallops and savory seasonings. It is ready to serve in about 30 minutes.

Monterey Pizza Rice, which won \$500, combines rice with pizza sauce, pepperoni, onion, green pepper, mushrooms and cheese in a one-dish dinner.

The total number of entries in the contests reflects the popularity of Tex-Mex, except in the Northeast where Italian seasonings were preferred. Southeastern cooks submitted many Creole, Cajun and curried dishes. Midwesterners chose beef for protein, with chicken and fish—especially canned tuna and salmon—used frequently. Nationwide, teenagers chose ground beef most often.

Fiesta rice and black bean salad

- 1 cup uncooked basmati-type or parboiled rice
- 1 can (15 oz.) black beans, rinsed, drained
- 1 cup frozen corn, thawed
- 1 small red bell pepper, chopped
- 1/4 cup sliced green onion
- 1/4 cup plus 2 tbsp. chopped fresh cilantro
- 2 to 3 jalapeno peppers, seeded, minced
- 1 large clove garlic, minced
- 2 ripe avocados
- 1/2 cup plain yogurt
- 1 tsp. lemon juice
- 1/4 tsp. cumin
- 1/4 tsp. salt
- 1/4 tsp. freshly ground black pepper
- Red lettuce leaves
- Tortilla chips

Cook rice according to package directions. Cool to room temperature.

In large bowl, toss rice with beans, corn, red pepper, 1/2 cup onion, 1/4 cup cilantro and jalapeno peppers. Peel, seed and cut one avocado in chunks. In blender, combine avocado with yogurt, remaining 1/4 cup onion and 2 tablespoons cilantro, lemon juice, cumin, salt and black pepper. Blend until smooth, scraping down sides once. Toss with rice mixture.

Just before serving, peel, seed and cut remaining avocado in 1/4-inch pieces. Gently toss with salad. Serve in lettuce leaves with tortilla chips.

Makes 6 servings, about 3 cups salad.

Brand new old world stew

- 1 basmati-type rice boil-in-bag (4 servings), uncooked
- 1 can (14 oz.) great Northern beans, rinsed, drained
- 1 lb. Polish sausage or kielbasa,

- cut in 1/4 inch slices, then halved
- 2 1/2 cups chicken broth
- 1 cup sliced green onion
- 1/2 tsp. cider vinegar
- 1 large clove garlic, finely chopped
- 1/4 tsp. pepper
- 1/4 tsp. oregano leaves, crushed
- 1/4 tsp. caraway seeds
- 1/2 tsp. paprika
- 2 tbsp. sliced green onion tops

Cook rice according to package directions. Drain.

In large saucepan or Dutch oven, combine beans, sausage, broth, green onion, vinegar, garlic, pepper, oregano and caraway. Bring to boil, stirring occasionally. Reduce heat. Simmer, covered, 15 minutes, stirring occasionally.

Stir in rice, paprika and green onion tops. Heat through.

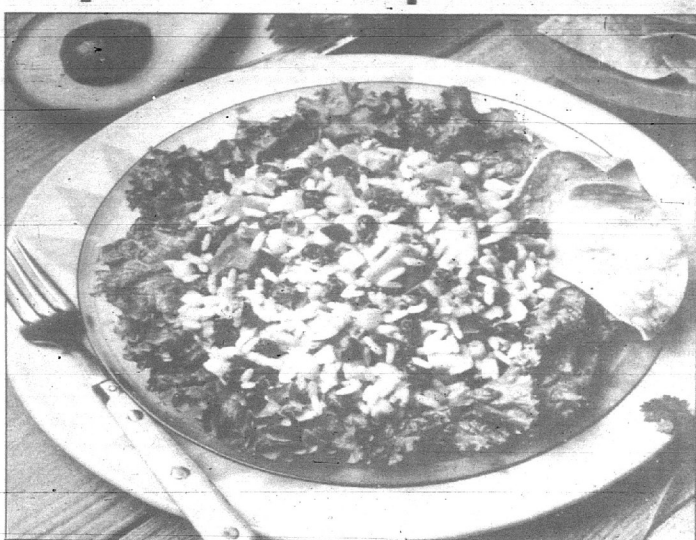
Makes 4 servings.

Monterey pizza rice

- 1 can (10 1/2 oz.) chicken broth
- 1 cup uncooked parboiled rice
- 1 cup water
- 1 can (8 oz.) pizza sauce (1/4 cup)
- 1 pkg. (3 to 4 oz.) sliced pepperoni
- 1 can (4 oz.) mushroom stems and pieces, drained
- 1/2 cup chopped onion
- 1 tsp. fennel seeds
- 1/2 cup chopped green bell pepper
- 1/2 cup (2 oz.) shredded Monterey Jack cheese

Combine chicken broth, rice, water, pizza sauce, pepperoni, mushrooms, onion and fennel seeds in 10-inch skillet. Bring to boil. Reduce heat. Simmer, covered, 20 minutes.

Stir in green pepper. Remove from heat. Let stand, covered, 3 minutes or until all liquid is absorbed. Sprinkle with cheese.



FIESTA RICE and Black Bean Salad is the \$5,000 grand prize winner in the Uncle Ben's Cook & Tell Cook-Off for its eye appeal, lively Southwestern flavors and creative mix of readily available ingredients.

Recipes

Sole rolls and rice

- 12 small sole or other thin fish filets (1 1/2 lb.)

- 1/4 tsp. salt

- Pinch white pepper

- 1 1/2 cups shredded carrot

- 2 tsp. sliced green onion with tops

- 1/4 tsp. margarine, melted

- 2 tsp. lemon juice

- 2 1/2 cups water

- 1 cup uncooked rice

- 2 tsp. finely chopped parsley

- 1 Paprika

Sprinkle 1/4 teaspoon salt and white pepper evenly over fish.

In skillet over low heat, cook carrot and green onion in 1 tablespoon margarine about 10 minutes until carrot is tender.

Spread equal amount of carrot mixture on each filet. Roll up.

Arrange seam-side down in 13-by-9-inch baking dish. Combine remaining 1 tablespoon margarine with lemon juice. Drizzle over fish rolls.

Bake, uncovered, at 350° for 25 to 30 minutes until fish flakes when tested with fork.

Bring water to boil in medium saucepan. Stir in rice and remaining 1/4 teaspoon salt. Simmer, tightly covered, 20 minutes or according to package directions. Remove from heat. Let stand, covered, about 5 minutes until all water is absorbed. Stir in parsley.

Arrange fish and rice on platter. Sprinkle with paprika.

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Berry gelatin makes ice cream dessert

Bring 1/4 cup water and 1/4 cup sherry wine—or use 1 cup water and omit wine—to boil in saucepan. Add to 1 package (4-serving size) raspberry instant gelatin. Stir until dissolved. Add 2 cups ice cubes. Stir gently about 2 minutes until gelatin just begins to

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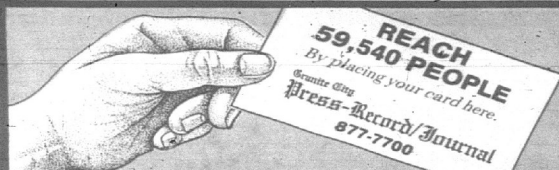
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The Granite City-Madison County Woman's Christian Temperance Union was held at the Central Free Methodist Church in Pontoon Beach Monday, April 22.

A record number was present for the annual awards night program focusing on winners in the essay, poster and coloring contests.

The essay and poster contests are in three levels, fifth and sixth grades; junior high and high school.

Winners in the fifth and sixth grades were: Amanda Kapilla, first; Jesse Johnson, second; and Jamie Goodwin, third.

Junior high winners were: Tiffany Federle, first; Amanda

Thumblie, second; and Mathew Portell, third.

High school winners were: Amy Borth, Michael McClintock and Lisa Wood, first through third.

Coloring contest winners were: First grade, Wesley Yeager, John Kapilla and Rachel Wilfong; second grade, Lesli Renfro, J.D. Guss and John Greathouse; and third grade, Kim Cormody, Bethany Carlson and Kevin Buckingham.

Theme of the essay and poster contests concerned the harmful effects of alcoholic beverages, drugs and tobacco.

Another event of the evening was the White Ribbon Recruit Service for children from birth

to 6 years old. The parents promise to teach their children the principles of total abstinence as the Christian way of life and a white ribbon is tied on the child's wrist.

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Conference draws state Eagle figures

The Eagles Southern Zone Conference held in Mount Vernon on April 12, 13 and 14 was attended by Eagles Auxiliary members Ruth Jorgensen, Angie Buehler and Vincine Zerlan and by Aerie members Harold Love and Bob Stanton.

The auxiliary meeting was held on Saturday afternoon at the VFW Hall as the Aerie was conducting its meeting at the same time at the Eagles Hall. State President Kathy Dullea introduced her line officers and state project chairmen, who spoke briefly about their charitable projects.

Membership Chairman Stephanie Smith handed out membership gifts for signing up new members.

Grand Madam Past President

Verna Funke was the special guest of the auxiliary for the weekend and gave an interesting talk and answered questions.

Special guests at the banquet were Verna Funke, Grand Worthy Past President Judge Bob Hanson, regional presidents Stephanie Smith and Chris Kutubzke and state presidents Virginia Goehl and Kathy Dullea. The Mount Vernon Aerie and Auxiliary donated \$1,000 for children to Good Samaritan Hospital. They also donated \$1,000 to the local drug awareness program and \$500 to the local DARE Program.

A total of \$7,500 was also donated to the Amy Schultz Center for abused children.

After the banquet, the Southern Zone meeting was held.

Ahlivers accompanied on piano.

James Messenger-enrolled as a new member. His guests were his grand children, Danielle and Jimmie Messenger. Rhonda and David Lee DeWitt were guests of Carrie Durell. Tom and Juanita Crawley were also guests.

A special "thank you" was said to Vera Lynn, who cooked beans, ham, and corn bread. Members brought salads and desserts.

A sing-a-long was held. Mary

The monthly birthday and potluck dinner was held at Anchor-

Homes by the Senior Citizens Club. The meeting was called to order by the President Vera Lynn.

Birthday members were Edna Wheat, Carrie Durell, Buster Goodwin and Mary Davies. Happy Birthday was sung.

Donations of prizes were given by Juanita Crawley and Casimir Skubish.

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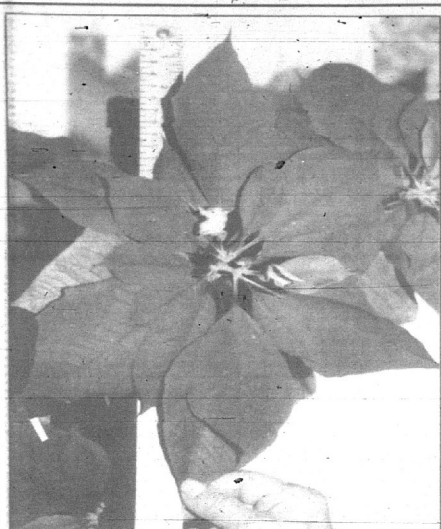
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Carnival glass program given

The Namecki Women's Club gathered at the Harold Brown Building for their April 17 meeting. Following the devotions by Ella Wade, the group enjoyed a dessert luncheon served by Maxine Maas, Doris Greve and Verna Stuart.

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A short business meeting followed after the group repeated the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag led by Mable Gertsch, president.

Roll call and minutes were read by Dolores Allen, recording secretary. The treasurer report was given by Bernadette Cooley.

Members who are in the hospital at the present time or who

have been recently were remembered, they are Mary McCollum, Mildred Branding and Mildred Jungles.

The May meeting will be held at Ralph and Charlie's Restaurant with a luncheon and entertainment being planned.

The group will dispense with meetings until September.

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'Toy Soldier' Coogan disclaims family influence

Keith Coogan is new enough to the movie business that he presents a refreshing approach to answering questions about the film he has made.

When asked how he came to be cast in "Toy Soldiers," the 21-year-old Coogan lays it on the line.

"As usual, before you audition for the part, the script comes through your agent and you read it," Coogan said. "I thought it was awful. It wasn't a great read."

"Toy Soldiers" is the story of an exclusive northeastern-boys school that gets taken hostage by an elite squad of expertly trained commandos bent on exchanging the freedom of the school for the release of a South American drug czar who has been extradited to the United States.

"But I did want to go up for the Billy Pepper role (a role that eventually went to Coogan's friend, Sean Astin) but the studio said I wasn't quite right for it, so I auditioned anyway and got the role of Snuffy, an asthmatic who chain smokes," Coogan said.

"I played him like Republican white trash, and, actually, it turned out to be a lot of fun, and the picture got a lot better because of the script revisions we made during the actual shooting," he said.

Coogan made his motion picture debut in 1987 in the hit kids' comedy, "Adventures in Babysitting."

He then went on to star in the films "Hiding Out," "Under the Boardwalk," "Cousins," "Cheetah," and the recently released "Book of Love."

Coogan will also be seen this summer in a comedy titled, "Don't Tell Mom the Babysitter's Dead," which he described as a black comedy.

Coogan is the grandson of film legend Jackie Coogan, but he said that didn't affect his decision to be an actor.

"I wasn't familiar with what my grandfather was or did," Coogan said. "When I was a kid, I was into shows on public television like 'Zoom,' the 'Electric Company,' those type of programs. My interest in acting came about because I wanted to be on those shows, not because of who my grandfather was. I didn't want to do movies. I wanted to do television."

"My mother was against me going into any kind of show business though," Coogan recalled. "She remembered how my grandfather had lost most of his money and the bad feelings he had about the industry before he died."

"But she let me give it a shot, and, overall, I've really genuinely enjoyed it. It's not much work and you get way overpaid for what little you do," Coogan said. Coogan said that since his grandfather always said what

was on his mind, the fact that they were related might have been a hindrance for him when he first started trying out for film roles in 1985. He remembered that half the people who remembered his grandfather had fond thoughts about him and the other half would say things like, "So, you're related to that Coogan. I had to make the distinction that I wasn't him."

Coogan said that while his family did not have a lot of money when he was growing up in west Los Angeles, the family did live near the beach so that the ocean kind of became what Coogan describes as "his playground."

"Our neighborhood was kind of a mellow place when compared to the rest of L.A., but I unlearned when I started school and was quickly dubbed the class clown," Coogan said.

"I was told I was disruptive in class when I was only 8, but it was because I was so well read by that age that school was boring to me. My favorite book that year was 'Muttiny On the Bounty,' and the rest of the kids were still looking at the books with lots of pictures. I used to raise my hand in class and say, 'Teacher, I have another opinion' or 'There's another solution to that.' The teachers hated me, really," Coogan said.

Coogan, who landed his first television commercial when he was 4, said that more than 16 years of standing in front of cameras has given him the desire to do work on the other side too.

"Making films is about the only thing I really understand how to do," Coogan said. "I don't know what other career there could be for me. I'll have to do a couple of big pictures before they'll give somebody my age any money to direct, but it's not impossible. It's just not going to happen right away."

Coogan said the best time of his fledgling career so far was when he celebrated his 18th birthday while living in a tent in the wilds of Africa making the movie "Cheetah" for Disney. Saying he is presently looking for work, Coogan thinks he will enroll in some acting classes since he has had no professional training as an actor.

"When you've been doing it all your life, it kind of comes easy," Coogan said about acting. "There's really no mystery about it. You can either do it or you can't. But it never hurts to learn as much as you can, and, right now, I'm interested in learning more and honing my skills."



ACTOR Keith Coogan had to warm to part.

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BAC grows mutant space tomatoes

Belleville Area College is making science fiction a reality with mutant tomato plants from outer space.

Plants from the second generation of "space seeds" are germinating and growing faster than plants grown from earth seeds, sprouting more tomatoes and producing abnormal leaves, ones that are shaped like potato leaves.

In April 1984, more than 12 million tomato seeds were launched into space by the Space Shuttle Challenger as part of the Long Duration Exposure Facility. Nearly six years later, the seeds returned to earth on the Space Shuttle Columbia and were distributed to schools throughout the United States, including BAC.

The seeds were part of an experiment by NASA and the Park Seed Company of South Carolina, which provided seeds for the experiment. The purpose of the research was to determine whether the seeds would lose their ability to germinate after prolonged periods of weightlessness and subfreezing temperatures in space.

Charlie Giedeman, coordinator of the BAC horticulture program, said the results could have future implications on space travel.

"Ordinary vegetable seeds lose

their ability to germinate after about three years," said Giedeman. "These were in space six years. We were happy to see any germination at all. In the very beginning, there was no measurable difference between the space plants and the earth plants. The germination and the growth rate for both groups, when grown under the identical conditions, were coming out exactly the same. If you looked at the statistics, you could not tell them apart."

The second generation has radical differences, though. Germination (of the "space seeds") began almost immediately and the leaves are extremely different and rare, Giedeman said. Tania Miller, a BAC horticulture student from Freeburg, planted the seeds and is tracking the progress of the tomatoes. She named one of the first-generation "Super D" because of the large amount of tomatoes it produced.

Second-generation plants from "Super D" are producing an abnormally large amount of tomatoes per plant and were able to survive even hard frosts, according to Miller's studies.

"In September, about 10 percent of the seeds I tried to clean and dry from the group burst their seed coats and within 26 hours some of the seeds from

the first-generation plants started to germinate," Miller said. "We didn't expect any radical mutations, if there were any at all, to show up in the first generation. When we tried drying the seeds from the first-generation plants, they began to germinate. We either had to plant them or lose them."

Giedeman would not make any conclusions about Miller's findings, but said the time from germination to harvest is shorter in the second-generation plants and since the germination began almost immediately, there is no way to store the seeds.

BAC and the other schools participating in the program are sending data to the Park Seed Co., where the information is being compiled and compared. Some of the universities involved in the project are testing the

chemical make-up of the plants. Giedeman said the second-generation tomatoes will not be eaten because of the leaf mutations and odd seed germination, although tomatoes from the first generation were edible.

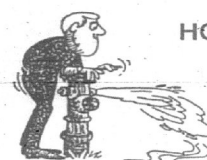
"Until we can be sure there isn't something harmful with them, we won't eat them," Giedeman said. "The tomato is in the Nightshade family, which is one of the most poisonous families you can run into. We may have a potent poison in here so we're not taking a chance until we get this analyzed chemically."

Miller said she already is looking forward to the third-generation of "space tomatoes." "I'd like to see what the next generation brings," she said.

Knights cited for 4th Degree

Three members of the Knights of Columbus Council 1098 of Granite City were exemplified into the 4th Degree of the Order at Exemplification ceremonies held at Mount Vernon from April 12-14.

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The tour will begin at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, June 8, in Chicago's Grant Park — where 66 itself began. Following the original pavement of Route 66, it will feature a lunch stop in Odell, Route 66 Hall of Fame ceremonies in McLean, and an evening dance in Lincoln on Saturday.

On Sunday, June 9, tourists will have breakfast at the Cozy Dog Drive-In in Springfield, take part in a car show in Litchfield, and go on a bus tour of the Chain of Rocks Bridge area near Granite City.

At the Hall of Fame ceremonies on June 8, three new members will be inducted. They are Metha Jensen, a former motel owner in Dwight and the Hall's first foreign-born member; Cotton McNabney, a former waiter and cafe owner in Normal; and the Cozy Dog, home of the original Route 66 fast food — the corn dog.

Plaques and other mementos of these members will then be on display in the Hall of Fame located in the Dixie Truckers Home in McLean.

Also featured on the tour will be "Searching for 66," a new book on Route 66 written by Tom Teague. Teague, of Springfield, is also president of the Route 66 Association.

Entry fee for the tour is \$20 per car for the general public and \$15 per car for association

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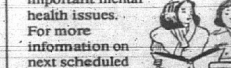
The Edgewood Program offers free education programs every Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. The meetings cover a new topic each week. Family education is also available. For more information, call the Edgewood Program at Edwardsville at 656-6730.

Holiday Blues Workshop

This workshop, offered by Hospice of Madison County, offers those who have lost a loved one during the year ways to deal with their grief, which may be intensified during the holiday season. For information, call 798-3399.

Ketteler Center's Community Education Series

The Ketteler Center, the mental health services of St. Elizabeth Medical Center, offers a Community Education Series featuring local and regional experts discussing important mental health issues. For more information on next scheduled program and upcoming topics, call 798-3604.



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These classes offer information on the symptoms of diabetes and how to manage them. The classes are offered once a month on a day/evening rotating schedule. Registration is required. To learn specific days and times when the classes meet and/or to register, call Education Resources at 798-3201.

Teen Survival Skills

Teen Survival Skills is a week-long workshop offered in the summer to help area junior high and high school students learn more about drug abuse education, assertiveness training, social skills building, stress management and teen relationships and participation in recreational activities. For more information, call 798-3609.

Clubs and support groups

Better Breathers Club

This club is a social and educational support group for individuals with chronic lung conditions. The group meets the second Tuesday of each month, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., in Pascal Hall. For information, call 798-3118.

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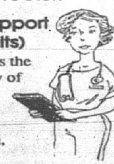
This American Cancer Society program offers newly-diagnosed cancer patients the opportunity to share feelings and concerns on a one-to-one basis with someone who either has or had the same type of cancer. The program is designed for all types of cancer. For more information, call 798-3510.

Chemical Dependency Support Groups

St. Elizabeth Medical Center is the meeting site for several support groups for chemically dependent individuals, their friends and families. For more information, call 876-8590 or the Granite City AA Answering Service, at 876-8467.

Diabetes Support Group (Adults)

The group meets the first Wednesday of each month, 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., in Pascal Hall. For information, call 798-3456.



Mastectomy Support Group

Designed for women who have been diagnosed as having breast cancer, the group meets monthly, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. For more information, call 798-3510.

Ostomy Support Group

The group is designed to provide fellowship among people who have had an ostomy. The group meets the fourth Tuesday of each month, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., in Pascal Hall. For more information, call 798-3167.

People Needing People

This group is a bereavement support group for those who have experienced a loss. Meetings are held at SEMC on the fourth Tuesday of every month, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., in the Wiesman Room. For information, call Hospice of Madison County at 798-3399.

Pulmonary Support Group

The group offers support and education for persons with a diagnosed lung condition, through talks, verbal and relaxation exercises and movies. They meet Wednesdays, from 11 a.m. to noon, in the 4-Doctors Solarium. For information, call 798-3019.

Community Health Screenings

To help area residents monitor their health, a variety of community health screenings are offered.

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Free screenings for skin cancer, prostate problems and other health conditions are offered at least once a year. Call 798-3201 to learn more.

Servicemen get training



Richard Kutz

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Airman 1st Class Richard W. Kutz has graduated from Air Force basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas. During the six weeks of training the airman studied Air Force mission, organization and customs and received special training in human relations. In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

He is the son of Jacqueline D. Kutz of Granite City.

Royce Mason
Pvt. Royce D. Mason has graduated from the material storage and handling course at Fort Lee, Petersburg, Va. Students were trained in receipt, storage, shipment, issue, and preservation and packaging of supplies and equipment. Mason is the son of Thelma T. Mason of Venice. The private is a 1990 graduate of Marquette High School, Altan.

Eddie Gregory
Pvt. Eddie L. Gregory has completed basic training at Fort Knox, Ky. During the training, Gregory received instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, first aid, and Army history and traditions. Gregory is the son of Rita A. David of Venice. He is a 1990 graduate of Venice High School.

Jonathan Jones
Navy Seaman Recruit Jonathan T. Jones, son of Clarence L. and Barbara-J. Jones of Granite City, has completed recruit training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill.

During Jones's eight-week training cycle, he studied general military subjects designed to prepare him for further academic and on-the-job training in one of the Navy's 85 basic fields. His studies included seamanship, close order drill, Naval history and first aid. Personnel who complete this course of instruction are eligible for three hours of college credit in Physical Education and Hygiene.

A 1990 graduate of Granite City Senior High School, Jones joined the Navy in August 1990.

Peter Alexakis
Army Sgt. Peter E. Alexakis has participated in Arctic Warrior 91, a training exercise for the defense of Alaska.

It provided an arctic environment for a major land battle between two large conventional forces in the state's interior, air-to-ground operations in support of the land battle, and air intercept operations.

The exercise is conducted every other year to train Alaska-based forces to employ and sustain combat units.

Alexakis is a utilities equipment mechanic at Fort Richardson, Alaska. He is the son of Gus P. and Lois E. Alexakis of San Bernardino, Calif.

His wife, Susan, is the daughter of Randy Rock of St. Jacob and Lee A. Sheffer of Madison.

James Briggs
Navy Seaman Recruit James A. Briggs, son of Carol F. Townsend of Pontoon Beach, has completed recruit training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill. During Briggs's eight-week training cycle, he studied general military subjects designed to prepare him for further academic and on-the-job training in one of the Navy's 85 basic fields.

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Briggs is a 1990 graduate of Granite City High School.

Dawn Hamm
Marine Lance-Cpl. Dawn M. Hamm, daughter of Carol S. and John W. Hamm III of Madison, recently reported for duty with the Headquarters and Services Battalion at Quantico, Va.

A 1988 graduate of Madison Senior High School, she joined the Marine Corps in February 1989.

Michael Fea
Airman 1st Class Michael J. Fea has graduated from the aerospace propulsion specialist (turboprop) course at Chanute Air Force Base, Rantoul, Ill.

Students were taught repair and maintenance on hydraulically operated propellers. Topics included operation, removal, disassembly and assembly, test and installation of propellers. He is the son of Thomas N. and Catherine A. Fea of Granite City.

Michael Votoupal
Private 1st Class Michael A. Votoupal has completed the chaplain assistance course at Fort Monmouth, Red Bank, N.J.

The group-paced course stressed religious support, development of interpersonal skills, unit ministry support to soldiers and family members, provided for services in a battlefield environment and battle fatigue casualty care.

Religious support classes not only taught students to prepare altars for Protestant, Catholic, Jewish and Orthodox services, but stressed the importance of knowing about these and other faith groups represented in the Army.

The private is the son of Millie Votoupal of Granite City and Joe Votoupal of Madison. He is a 1987 graduate of Granite City High School.

David Knepper
Spec. David J. Knepper has completed a U.S. Army primary leadership course.

Students received training in supervisory skills, leadership principles, and small unit training techniques essential to a first-line supervisor in a technical or administrative environment. The soldier is a tank turret mechanic at Fort Irwin, Calif.

Knepper is the son of Sandra J. Fisher of Granite City. He is a 1989 graduate of Granite City High School North.

Local man takes part in Desert Storm

Spec. Ray W. Hahne of Belleville, formerly of Granite City, took part in Operation Desert Storm with the 3rd Armored Division.

He is the son of Rose M. Hahne and is married to Laurie K. Hahne of Belleville.

Hahne is a combat signaler and tactical wireman with Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 67th Armor Regiment.

He has served four years with the Army and was stationed at Ray Barracks, Friedberg, Germany, from December 1990 until he deployed to Saudi Arabia. Before that he was assigned to 2nd Battalion, 5th Field Artillery Regiment at Schweebahlgund, Germany.

Hahne graduated in 1980 from Granite City High School South.

The 3rd Armored Division is one of two divisions assigned to VII Corps, which led the main attack into Iraq and was among the first units deployed to defend Saudi Arabia. Its soldiers were in the forefront of action during

the entire drive to liberate Kuwait.

On Feb. 24, the division overran minor Iraqi defenses with enough momentum to carry them through several divisions of defenders, including three divisions of Iraq's Republican Guards.

Elements of the division penetrated some 18 miles into Iraq the first day, taking more than 200 prisoners. The next day it

pushed another 35 miles into Iraq, destroying enemy vehicles and still taking prisoners.

The division destroyed more than 300 Iraqi tanks and infantry fighting vehicles and took more than 1,000 prisoners.

Elements of the division are still in northern Kuwait while others are occupying demilitarized sections of Iraq.

Hahne expects to return to Germany later this year.

5 Star Club to hear speaker

At its May 1 meeting, Central Bank's Five Star Club will have as its guest speaker Susan Hoffmann of the Social Security Administration.

She will be covering a wide variety of information including the new fee structure of Medicare insurance and benefits that seniors might be eligible to

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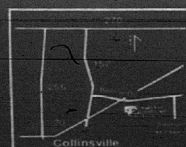
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Kindergarten readiness tests wrong approach

By Jane Cosby
Correspondent

A question facing many parents of 5-year-olds or of kids who soon will be that age is whether or not they should send their child to kindergarten next fall.

Many school districts administer "readiness" tests during kindergarten registration and make recommendations about kindergarten placement for the child based on those test results.

The problem with this practice is that it is not a reliable way of predicting a child's future success in school and, according to some experts, it should not be done.

"Readiness is a backward concept," said Ann Schroer, director of the Eden Lab School, a preschool program affiliated with Eden Theological Seminary.

"For years we have tried to make the kids fit the curriculum instead of fitting the curriculum to the kids."

Schroer was co-chairperson of a committee of early childhood educators that recently revised "Kindergarten Education: A Position Statement," a paper

listing appropriate kindergarten curriculum and practices and outlining what a kindergarten program should be.

"If a school district says a child is not ready for kindergarten, what they are really saying is he does not meet our criteria for our program," Schroer said.

Instead, the district should be trying to meet the child's needs, said Lynn Bjorkgren, a kindergarten teacher at the Child Development Center at St. Louis Community College at Florissant Valley.

"Schools need to provide services for children without setting arbitrary rules about what they (children) need to know first," she said.

Sixth graders should teach the 5-year-olds they get, not just the ones that pass their tests.

Testing should not be the sole factor used to determine a child's kindergarten placement, said Brenda Fyfe, associate professor of education in the early childhood program at Webster University and current president of the Missouri Association for the Education of Young Children.

Tests are not highly predictive of a child's future achievement," said Fyfe. "Young children are active learners and testing is a contrived situation."

"Giving children an extra year before starting kindergarten has become a fad (among educators). People are going overboard in recommending that children stay back a year."

This move to get older kids in kindergarten also has caused a change in curriculum that has a ripple effect.

What used to be done academically in first grade is now done in kindergarten," said Cece Luecking, director of the Child Development Center at Florissant Valley.

"And what used to be done in kindergarten is now done in preschool. The problem is that developmentally kids have not changed. So we are rushing them."

Consequently, since the work in most kindergartens is more academic than it once was, it makes sense for parents to keep their children out of school a year longer so that they can

gain the maturity needed to handle the more advanced curriculum.

"Almost always waiting a year means giving your child an advantage," she said.

Parents facing the decision of whether or not to hold their child out a year need to assess their own child, said Luecking. "You need to learn to be an advocate for your child," she said. "No one else will be that kind of advocate."

For a copy of "Kindergarten Education: A Position Statement" send a legal-size, self-addressed, stamped envelope to: Kindergarten Statement, ABC's for Parents, 1215 Fern Ridge Parkway, Suite 100, St. Louis, Mo. 63111.

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Facts show alcohol still top problem

The release of updated facts on alcohol and alcohol-related problems provided the springboard for the fifth annual Alcohol Awareness Month observed by nearly 200 affiliates of the National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence throughout the country, including Plaza Health Care.

"After reading through this fact sheet there can be little doubt that alcohol is America's number one drug problem," said Paul Wood, NCADD president.

The four-page fact sheet includes the following information:

Despite a decline in per capita consumption of alcohol during the 1980s, overall alcohol-related morbidity did not decline.

As many as 19.5 million Americans show signs of alcoholism or alcohol dependence, and another 7.2 million show persistent heavy drinking patterns associated with impaired health and/or social functioning.

Alcoholism and related problems cost the nation an estimated \$85.8 billion in 1988, \$27.5 billion more than illicit use of other drugs.

An alcohol-related family problem strikes one of every

four American homes. Twin and adoption studies have provided evidence for the genetic transmission of vulnerability to alcoholism.

An average of 300 people died each day in 1987 from alcohol-related causes — a total of 106,095.

Fetal alcohol syndrome is one of the top three known causes of birth defects with accompanying mental retardation — and the only preventable cause among these three.

About a quarter of all hospitalized patients have alcohol-related problems.

A survey of 1986 deaths found that men who regularly drank two or more drinks a day were nearly twice as likely to die before age 65 than men who drank 12 or fewer drinks a year; their female counterparts were three times as likely to die before age 65.

Alcohol is closely linked to suicide. Among causes of death in alcoholics, an average of 18 percent are due to suicide.

Of offenders convicted of violent crimes, 54 percent of the inmates in one survey had consumed alcohol just before the offense.

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Taxpayers gain by planning ahead

By Roger McGrath
Correspondent

Taxpayers' annual rite of spring—write or spring for those who discover they owe Uncle Sam a bundle in taxes—has passed. But this also is the time to start planning for next year, while memories of tax-filing season still are fresh, is the time to plan for next year's tax preparers say.

They cite two reasons to plan: It makes completing next year's tax return less grueling and cuts Uncle Sam's bite of your income.

"Fiscal health is very much like physical health, you have to do it regularly," explains accountant Jerry Nichols, of Nichols, Zieman & Co. in St. Louis.

Regular recordkeeping is a must, tax advisers say. "Keep a file, marked '1991 income taxes,'" advises Steven Brown, tax partner at Rubin, Brown, Gornstein & Co., a Clayton accounting firm. "Anytime you have anything that pertains to your tax return, throw it in that envelope, or folder."

That's why Nichols recommends paying by check whenever possible. He notes on the check's memo line that this is a potential tax deduction, then drops the canceled check into his tax file.

If you are uncertain an item has tax consequences, toss the receipt into the file anyway.

Brown advises. Next tax season, you or your accountant can determine whether a deduction is allowed.

With regular recordkeeping, by the end of the year you'll have a file about two inches thick and ready for sorting into categories such as medical expenses, unreimbursed employee mileage and so on, Nichols says.

Tax adviser Art Weiss last year switched to an electronic recordkeeping device. At the end of each day, he punched in that day's expenditures, complete with code that lumped business lunches into one category, charitable contributions into another and so on. At year end, the device printed out a complete list of his deductions.

"I was amazed at all the things that slipped through the cracks," before the electronic gadget, says the tax manager at Arthur Andersen & Co. in St. Louis. Among tax deductions he'd forgotten: A contribution to KETC-TV (Channel 9), membership to the St. Louis Zoo association, several business lunches and some charitable mileage.

At nine cents per mile, the allowance for mileage while working for charitable causes "can add up," Weiss adds.

Poor recordkeeping means you could miss some deductions. Brown recalls a client whose wife won \$6,000 in Las Vegas. The couple had to declare the entire amount as income when they couldn't document that

she'd later lost \$2,000 at the gaming tables. If they'd had documentation, they could've reduced taxable winnings to \$4,000.

How long should you keep tax records? The statute of limitations is three years, hence, the IRS can't seek redress for errors on your 1987 return, Weiss says. Unless you intentionally filed a fraudulent return, for which there is no statute of limitations, he quickly adds.

But don't indiscriminately toss out pre-1988 financial records, he continues. You need records showing how much you paid for your house, for shares of stock so you can determine your capital gain, your taxable profit on those investments.

If you ever made a non-deductible contribution to an Individual Retirement Account, you'll need to keep that year's tax return, too, Weiss says. Reason: The return (specifically Form 8606) is proof you've already paid tax on that contribution and, therefore, that money shouldn't be taxed when you withdraw it during your retirement years.

Tax files needn't consume a lot of space. Nichols' two-drawer file cabinet holds tax returns "dating back to 1964, the first year he filed, plus all the bills and other financial records from 22 years of marriage."

Taxpayers who act now can limit Uncle Sam's share of your 1991 income, tax preparers say.

With the limits the feds have put on certain deductions, "it's almost impossible to look at one year in a vacuum anymore," Weiss says. For instance, only medical expenses in excess of 7.5 percent of adjusted gross income and miscellaneous expenses exceeding 2 percent of total income are deductible now.

He relates this case: A client is facing large and continuing medical bills for the care of his wife, he also has a large capital gain. Weiss recommended taking the gain in 1990, which will keep the client's 1991 income down and maximize this year's medical deduction.

There can be a tax benefit by shifting income, especially interest earnings, to children, he says. The first \$500 of income to children is exempt from taxes, the next \$500 is taxed at the lowest rate, 15 percent.

Now the complicated part: If the youngster is under age 14, income above \$1,000 is taxed at the parents' rate, probably 28 percent or 31 percent. But if the child is 14, he is considered a taxpayer and his income, as long as it is less than \$20,500, will be taxed at the 15 percent rate.

Interest paid on credit cards, auto loans and other personal loans can't be claimed on 1991 tax returns; so tax accountants recommend taxpayers either get out of debt or, if they must be in debt, consolidate those borrowings under a home equity loan. Interest on home equity loans up to \$50,000 still is deductible.

Paid holidays in state

Slightly more than two out of three (68.5 percent) of the Illinois firms responding to a recent survey give ten or more paid holidays. Some 35 percent give 11 or more, according to The Management Association's Holiday Survey.

The following details the breakdown of respondents:

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Six days	4.6 percent
Seven days	3.9 percent
Eight days	8.8 percent
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Report card notes Clinton improvements

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The Systematic Assessment of Licensee Performance (SALP) report — a critique of Clinton by an NRC inspection team — applauds Illinois Power for "positive change in the ratings for outages and engineering and technical support."

The report covered the period from Nov. 1, 1989, through Jan. 31, 1991, which includes the

plant's refueling outage.

"Significant improvements in general outage performance were observed due to improved management attention," wrote NRC Region III Administrator A. Bert Davis, in a letter to the utility summarizing the report.

"In general your management approach is effective in improving overall safety performance," Davis said.

Clinton was evaluated in seven areas and graded by categories 1, 2 or 3, with category 1 being the highest. The NRC awarded the company a 1 for emergency

preparedness, and 2 in the other six areas. Lower marks in two areas in the previous rating period were erased by improved effort.

"Clinton's improved performance reflects operating maturity," said J. Stephen Perry, vice president responsible for Illinois Power's nuclear program.

While issuing good marks in Radiological Controls, rated at 2, and Emergency Preparedness, rated "very good" at 1, the NRC noted a declining performance trend.

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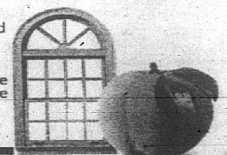
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Grant helps area man teach basket-making to grandson

By Martin Richter
Staff writer

"Paper or plastic?" Just about everyone has heard that question in the check-out lane of their local grocery store, but it wasn't always that way. There was a day when people brought their own baskets or carting groceries home from the market.

These days, baskets are used more for decoration or holding fake grass and Easter eggs than for everyday chores. But thanks in part to a grant from the Illinois Arts Council, a St. Jacob resident is helping to keep basket making from becoming a dying art.

Dale Black, who has been

making baskets as a hobby since the early 1970s, was awarded a \$2,500 grant to teach the craft to his grandson, Ian Aebel of Lebanon, as part of the IAC's Apprenticeship Program. The program aims to encourage informal one-to-one teaching relationships among traditional and folk artists in Illinois.

The grant, which runs through July, provides \$1,800 for Black and \$700 for Aebel, a 16-year-old sophomore at Mascoutah High School. They have used the money to buy tools, and to pay for Aebel's transportation.

Aebel treks to Black's rustic farmhouse, just north of the Madison County line on Illinois 4, for lessons in basket making. The two work outside by the

weathered barn or sit in the living room around a wood-burning stove if the weather is bad.

"I like to pass it on, what you know," said the mustachioed Black, 58. "And the state seems to think it's important to pass on crafts from one generation to the next."

The craft was passed to Black by his grandfather and a Lebanon resident named Edison Reder whose Black met at a craft show.

Reder, who passed away in the late 1970s, is reputed to have learned basket weaving from hobo who had a camp near Lebanon in the 1920s.

"He was a kid, and they had a king of a hobo camp down by Silver Creek, and he picked up

some of it down there." Black said. "At least that's what he said. He learned a thing or two from the hobos."

For most people, basket making conjures up a mental image of weaving reeds or metal strips. But Black and Aebel, who start out with a live tree, both said the hardest part of the job comes before you get to that point.

"The weaving part is pretty easy," Aebel said. "The cutting of the ribs and stuff is pretty hard. It takes practice."

Black uses maple, oak or ash to make baskets. He makes a circle with his thumb and forefinger to show the size of tree he looks for and explains that you want a straight tree with as few

knots or limbs as possible. "Your main thing is to get your materials out of the raw materials," he said. "It takes longer to learn that than just picking up and weaving the basket. You're at the mercy of what you can get hold of."

After they strip the wood into thin strips, Black and Aebel use two round hoops as the basic skeleton for the basket. They then weave in a diamond-shaped beginning, and go to work weaving the basket.

"I just say if I need one about that big, that's about how big I

make it," said Black, holding his hands about two feet apart. "No two of them are exactly the same. It just depends on how it comes out. That's basket making."

Black uses finished baskets to cart tomatoes or potatoes, or sells them at craft shows. "I just enjoy doing it," Black said. "In the summer it's nice when you can sit outside and make a basket."

"Mr. Reder used to say it was a nice way to whittle," he said. "Instead of just making a pile of wood chips, he'd make a basket."

Some SS overpayments need not be returned

By Bill Hunot

Social Security Administration

Q. Last year I earned more than I expected to and Social Security paid me more retirement benefits than I was due. Do I have to pay the money back? If so, can I pay a little each month?

A. Earning more than expected is the most common reason people are overpaid Social Security benefits. Predicting exactly how much you will earn in a coming year is pretty difficult.

Most overpayments must be repaid. In some cases, though, Social Security will waive recovery of the overpayment which simply means the government won't try to collect it. Two conditions must be met for an overpayment to be waived. First, you must be completely without fault in causing the overpayment. Second, you must show that repayment would deprive you of income you need to meet your ordinary living expenses or that repayment would be unfair for some other reason.

If the overpayment cannot be waived you must pay back. But it does not have to be repaid all at once. You can do it in installments.

Q. My mother receives Supplemental Security Income (SSI) payments because of mental illness. She's been having some problems and her doctor wants her to check into a hospital until he can get her stabilized on her medication. Will her SSI continue while she is away from her home?

A. If your mother's stay in the facility is brief, 90 days or less, she may continue receiving her full SSI payments. This is an exception to the rule that SSI payments are stopped or drastically reduced when a person checks into an institution.

Generally, people living in hos-

pitals, nursing homes or other institutions for a full calendar month receive less money from SSI for that month. SSI payments are limited to \$30 per month if Medicaid pays more than half of the cost of the stay. However, if your mother's stay is expected to be temporary she can receive her full SSI while she is in the hospital. In other words, she'll receive the payment that would have been due had she not been hospitalized instead of the \$30 SSI maximum for a Medicaid living arrangement.

This rule is designed to enable people to pay the expenses of their permanent home so they'll have a place to live after they're discharged. Up to three months

of continued full benefits may be paid.

Q. I am a diabetic and 56 years old. My vision is very bad. I know I've got enough quarters under Social Security to get benefits because I worked all my life before my diabetes ruined my eyesight. Can I qualify for Social Security disability?

A. People who are legally blind meet Social Security's definition of disability. Social Security statutes define blindness as visual acuity of 20/200 or less in the better eye with the use of corrective lenses, or tunnel vision limiting the field of vision to no more than 20 degrees. But even if you're not considered legally blind you might still qualify if the combined effect of

your diabetes, vision problems, and any other impairments keep you from working.

You should definitely apply for disability. When you contact Social Security you'll have to provide the names, addresses and phone numbers of doctors, hospitals and clinics that have treated you for your illnesses. If you look those up ahead of time it could speed up your application.

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"Safe Country" was introduced last year at the annual meeting of the Illinois Agricultural Association. It has also been presented to the Illinois Farm Bureau Women's and the Young Farmers state committees.

"The Country Companies have long been concerned with farm accidents, and we believe one of the major solutions to these accidents is education," said Jim Williams, associate director of community education for Country Companies. "Safe Country is an improved education effort using the most current educational approach."

The goal of Safe Country is to expose most of the farming families and workers in Illinois to the program within the next three to four years.

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